

## PLANNING FOR 2014 PAULDING COUNTY 4-H CAMP HAS BEGUN!



Pictured here (l-r) are Bailey Meyer, Kandee Manson, Sarah Young and Alex Vail taking part in planning activities for the 2014 Paulding County 4-H Camp July 9-13<sup>th</sup>.

Paulding County 4-H program held its annual Camp Counselor Lock-In over Martin Luther King Jr. Weekend. This year, we had 32 teen youth that applied to be camp counselors for the Paulding County 4-H Camp to be held July 9<sup>th</sup>- July 13<sup>th</sup> at 4-H Camp Palmer. The youth were interviewed by a panel of judges and were chosen for Camp Counselor positions.

During this lock-in the camp counselors decided on the theme for the 2014 Paulding County 4-H

Camp. This year's theme is "Baking up a Good Time at 4-H Camp Palmer." The 2014 4-H camp will include a variety of different activities that will be focused around those yummy sweets that everyone enjoys such as cookies, cakes, pies and cupcakes. There will also be the traditional activities that campers always enjoy like zip line, canoeing, swimming along with dancing and fun. 4-H Camp is open to anyone that is at least 8 years old and in 3<sup>rd</sup> grade

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## OHIO HAS TALENT! RETURNS TO NPAC ON FEBRUARY 8

Contestants will be competing for prize money in the seventh annual Ohio Has Talent! at Niswonger Performing Arts Center in Van Wert on Saturday, February 8, at 7:00 p.m.

Sponsored in part by Citizens National Bank, the benefit show for Community Health Professionals' Van Wert Inpatient Hospice Center features 20 local and regional performers competing for \$1,000, \$500 and \$250 prizes determined by audience votes.

2014 Ohio Has Talent contestants:

**Jon Albert** of Fort Wayne, IN is a dancer combining popping, b-boying and hip-hop

**Hayleigh Bacome** and **Amanda Leis** of Delphos are a contemporary dance duo

**Gabriel Beming** of Sidney and **Caroline Prakel** of Versailles are a creative piano duet with antics inspired by Victor Borge

**Shay Bolton** of Rockford is a vocal soloist who also plays piano and dances.

**Ann and James Brake,**

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## NEW HAVEN SECURES 911 UPGRADE FUNDS FROM COUNTY

By: Beth Stauffer

The Allen County Council voted on Thursday morning, January 16, 2014 to approve New Haven's November 2013 request for Emergency 911 funds to upgrade the police department's dispatch center. The upgrades will allow the New Haven Police Department's public safety answering point to maintain compatibility with the Allen County's Consolidated Communication Partnership (CCP).

The County Council unanimously approved a total amount of \$75,874 in funds on Thursday, an amount amended from the previously requested total of \$105,688.22.

According to New Haven Police Chief Steve Poiry, the city submitted the amended request to the County Council in an effort to save costs on the network and licensing fees that New Haven will be absorbing with the implementation of the upgraded system.

"The amended request gives us two consoles that are equipped with the new,

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## PC TIGERS WIN IN CLOSE GAME AGAINST ANTWERP FACULTY



The PC Tigers visited Antwerp on January 17<sup>th</sup> to challenge the Archer faculty to a friendly game of basketball. The competition was matched head to head, but the PC Tigers came out the victor with a final score of 60-56.

Pictured here are the PC Tigers: Kenny Cunningham, Jordan Barker, Syndel Barker, Spencer Lust, Steffon Saco, Eddie Hibbard, Cody Hibbard, Matt Wayne, Clay

Dockery, Jacob Lindeman, Kelsey Lindeman, Michael Bentley, Logan McDaniel, Jack Angeli, Rochelle Clark, and Virginia Moyer.

## BILL FRITCHA MEMORIAL AWARD

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have achieved a certain standard measured by the number of hours of service over a 12 month period, or cumulative hours based over the course of a lifetime. The Bill Fritcha Memorial Award was established in 2011 to recognize the valuable contributions volunteers are making in our communities and encourage more people to serve. Mayor Terry McDonald created the Bill Fritcha Memorial Award as a way to thank and honor individuals by their demonstrated commitment and example ; and to inspire others to engage in volunteer service.

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**OBITUARIES**

**HICKSVILLE, OH**  
**Kenneth Ladd, 71**, of Hicksville died Thursday, January 23, 2014. Arr by Dooley Funeral Homes of Antwerp & Payne.  
**PAYNE, OH**  
**Richard Zierter, 59**, of Payne, passed away Friday, January 24, 2014. Arr by Dooley Funeral Homes of Payne & Antwerp.  
**PAULDING**



**Lucille Elizabeth DenHerder, age 94** died Saturday, January 25 at her residence.  
 She was born November 13, 1919 in Chicago, Illinois, the daughter of William P. and Isabelle F. (Brown) Matson. In San Francisco, CA, on August 25, 1945 she married John S. DenHerder who preceded her in death on March 10, 1985. She was a 1938 graduate of Sierra Catholic High School, Chicago, and graduated from Saint Xavier College School of Nursing, Chicago. She served during WWII as Lt. Junior Grade in the US Navy Nurse Corp at Great Lakes Illinois USN Hospital in Chicago and USN Hospital in Dublin, GA. She was a member of the staff of Den Herder Funeral Home, Paulding, retiring in 2005 after 40 years as a funeral director. She was a member of St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church, Paulding; National Funeral Directors Association; and Ohio Funeral Directors Association. During her childhood days in Chicago from 1924 - 1929 she modeled for Lincoln Logs, Ovaltine and Sears Roebuck.

Lucille is survived by a son, John W. (Janis) DenHerder, Paulding; a daughter, Elizabeth A. (Charles) Hankey, Indianapolis, IN; four grandchildren: William J. (Leah) DenHerder, Middletown, OH, Joseph E. DenHerder, Paulding, Anne E. (Randy M.) Forman, Chicago, and Emily C. Hankey, New York, NY; and three great grandchildren; Madeline J. Forman, and twins, Olivia and Elizabeth DenHerder.

She is preceded in death by her parents; husband; and brother, Lt. William F. Matson, a US Army WWII Japanese POW.

Funeral services will be conducted 11 AM Friday, January 31 at Den Herder Funeral Home, Paulding, with Rev. Ben Lowell officiating. Burial will follow in St. Paul Cemetery, Paulding, Ohio.

Visitation will be 2:30 PM - 8 PM Thursday, January 30 at Den Herder Funeral Home, and one hour prior to services on Friday.

To honor Lucille's wishes, the family requests in lieu of flowers, statues, and other funeral memorabilia donations be made to Paulding County Hospital Home Health Care.

Online condolences may be sent to [www.denherderfh.com](http://www.denherderfh.com).

**Susan Jo (Lotz) Proxmire**, age 69 died Sunday, January 26, 2014 at Parkview North Regional Medical Center, Ft. Wayne, IN.

She was born in Ft. Wayne, IN on November 21, 1944 the daughter of Joseph F. and Alene S. (Schoppman) Lotz. She retired as an LPN in 2004 from The Gardens of Paulding (the former Hawthorn Court Nursing Home).

Susan is survived by two daughters, Tiffany (Keith) Theobald, Paulding, and Morgan (Bradley) Gantt, Charleston, SC; three grandsons, Isaiah, Tycen, and Harper; and two granddaughters, Raeanne and Abigail.

Her parents, Joseph and Alene (Schoppman) Lotz precede her in death.

Funeral services will be conducted 10 AM Thursday, January 30 at Den Herder Funeral Home, Paulding, with Rev. Ben Lowell officiating. Burial will follow in St. Paul Cemetery, Paulding.

Visitation will be 4-8PM Wednesday, January 29 at Den Herder Funeral Home and one hour prior to services on Thursday.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Community Health Professionals Hospice.

Online condolences may be sent to [www.denherderfh.com](http://www.denherderfh.com)

**HEAT THE HUBER SUCCESSFUL & APPRECIATED!**

The "Heat The Huber" was a huge success mostly because of the town of Hicksville and surrounding communities. Donations were received from any individuals, families, companies, corporations, civic organizations, memorials and honorariums for loved ones. A grant was also awarded to us by the Justin Coressel Charitable Trust in Defiance, OH, and that amount was matched by Jim Schmidt Family of Dealerships. The Huber Board of Directors were grateful to all who contributed to this much needed project. They sincerely appreciate knowing that you all care enough to stand by the Huber renovation projects in all its phases.

The large room on the second floor has new flooring and trim. The donations for the heat and air system were enough to nearly complete the unites needed to install heat and air for that room. This completes the renovation of that area and it will be available for use during the entire year. This room is larger than the community room on the first floor and will accommodate many more people when more space is needed.

For more information about The Huber Opera & Civic Center events and volunteer opportunities, call 419-542-9553 or email at [huberoperahouse@frontier.com](mailto:huberoperahouse@frontier.com)

**PCAF AWARDS 2013 GRANTS**



**Paulding County Area Foundation has granted \$1,000.00 to Bargain Bin of Paulding County, Inc. The grant funds will be used for structural improvements in order to display more merchandise. The majority of the Bargain Bin income is used to purchase Physical Therapy equipment for the Paulding County Hospital. Lisa McClure, Executive Director presents the grant funds to Rhonda Smalley, President of Bargain Bin of Paulding County.**

Paulding County Area Foundation is pleased to announce awarded grants for the year 2013. Consideration for the grant process is June and December of each year. For further information on

Paulding County Area Foundation, please contact Lisa McClure, Executive Director at 419-399-8296 or visit the website at [www.paulding-countyareafoundation.net](http://www.paulding-countyareafoundation.net)

**OAKWOOD GLEANER ARBOR #759 JANUARY MEETING**



**Pictured (r-l) are Gleaner Bonnie Pier, Mt. Zion Food Pantry Lorna Jewell, Bargain Bin Eileen Kochensparger, Crippled Children Marcia Pressler, Habitat for Humanity Karen Leathman, and Auglaize Chapel Food Pantry Penny Baughman. Picture taken at Twin Oaks Fellowship Hall, Oakwood.**

The meeting was held during very cold weather at the Twin Oaks Fellowship hall. Twenty-three brave souls came out to hear Ohio's State Representative Tony Burkley tell the group about what is going on at the state level. He did a good job of informing and answered questions. There are 99 representatives in Ohio.

Brandon Knott an art teacher in Bryan told about the "Open Bowl" project - where they make bowls to be used and taken home for benefits.

Damien Morales from Cecil, who is the new director of the Oakwood Development Company, spoke on an upcoming "Canoe and Kayac Race" in June.

The Gleaners are still saving bottle caps and reminded members to turn in their acts and hours of volunteering.

The Samaritan fund from the Gleaner Life Ins. Society was given to: The Crippled Children, PCH Bargain Bin, PC Habitat for Humanity, two food pantries, and 4-H for camp scholarships for a total of \$1,175.00.

The Pier's had a nice buffet of ham salad sandwiches, homemade applesauce, spinach-artichoke dip and chips, punch, and coffee.

The next meeting is February 27, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. in the Twin Oaks Fellowship Hall. Speaker will be the P.C. Health Dept. with Bill and Phyllis Bidlack as the hosts. Come and join us.

**PAYNE BALL ASSOCIATION RELEASES REGISTRATION DATES**

The Payne (Ohio) Ball Association will be hosting its registration dates starting on Monday, February 10, from 6:00-7:30 p.m. at the Payne Elementary cafeteria. The final two registration dates will be Wednesday, February 19, from 6:30-8:00 p.m. as well as Saturday, February 22, from 9:00-11:00 a.m.

Registration forms will be sent home with students at Payne Elementary and a form will also be available on the association's website at [www.leaguelineup.com/payneball](http://www.leaguelineup.com/payneball).

If you have any questions, you can contact Lindsay Timm at (419) 670-4755 or Dan Bland at (419) 786-0798.

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**SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK**

"For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm."  
*Ephesians 6:12-13 ESV*



**van de LEUR JOINS CMH TEAM**

Timothy van de Leur, MD is joining the Community Memorial Hospital (CMH) team. Dr. van de Leur has practiced at Fort Wayne Orthopedics since 2010. A specialist in total joint replacement and reconstructive procedures, Dr. van de Leur focuses on the treatment of hips and knees. He was the first surgeon in the area to perform the Birmingham Hip Resurfacing procedure, a proven alternative to total hip and replacement surgery. Dr. van de Leur attended medical school and residency at the University of Alberta (Canada). Dr. van de Leur completed a fellowship at the Thomas Jefferson University/Rothman Institute in Philadelphia, PA. More information regarding clinic scheduling will be released in the near future. For questions, you may contact Michelle at 419-542-5566.

**LATTA COSPONSORS HEALTH EXCHANGE SECURITY & TRANSPARENCY LEGISLATION**

Congressman Bob Latta (R-Bowling Green) has cosponsored H.R. 3811, the Health Exchange Security and Transparency Act. This legislation, sponsored by Congressman Joe Pitts (R-PA), would require the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) to notify individuals if their personal information has been stolen or unlawfully accessed through a federal or state exchange system. This notification must be done no later than two business days after the discovery.

"Hearings in the House Energy & Commerce Committee, on which I serve, revealed that the Administration did not complete adequate security testing prior to healthcare.gov going live on October 1st," Latta said. "Americans deserve to know if their personal information is put at risk due to Obamacare, and this legislation will ensure that HHS gives notice to individuals when their information is jeopardized."

"Furthermore, prompt action on this important legislation is needed, so that American's information is safe and secure. I encourage HHS to work to ensure that individual's personal information is protected in the health care exchanges."

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up to the completion of the 8th grade. We also offer a one day Cloverbud camp for youth ages 5 and kindergarten up to the completion of 2nd grade that aren't yet able to attend the actual camp. Cloverbud day is July 12th. Come join in the fun at 4-H Camp Palmer July 9th-13th. 4-H Camp Palmer is where memories and lasting friendships are made.  
 —Staci Hiler,  
 4-H Program Assistant  
 Paulding County  
 OSU Extension

**COATS LAUNCHES LEGISLATIVE ROADMAP**

Senator Dan Coats (R-Ind.) launched The Indiana Way, a 10-point legislative agenda for 2014 based on the model of Indiana and ideas from Hoosiers, in a press conference at Parkview Field in Fort Wayne.

"I believe some of the best ideas to grow our economy and strengthen our communities come from Hoosiers, not Washington bureaucrats," said Coats. "Today, I unveiled 'The Indiana Way,' a plan based on the input I've gathered from Hoosiers on common-sense solutions to address a number of challenges facing Indiana families and businesses. The Indiana Way is needed in Washington to put our country back on a path to growth and opportunity."

The priorities in Coats' roadmap for 2014 include:

1. Protecting Hoosiers from the burdens of Obamacare.
2. Unlocking affordable energy.
3. Growing manufacturing jobs.
4. Financing infrastructure.
5. Saving family farms.
6. Supporting community banks and small businesses.
7. Eliminating waste and fraud in health and retirement security programs.
8. Making the tax system simpler and fairer.
9. Supporting community and faith-based groups.
10. Protecting our homeland and promoting Indiana's defense assets.

More information about the plan is available at [www.coats.senate.gov/theindianaway](http://www.coats.senate.gov/theindianaway).

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**LATTA APPLAUDS SUPREME COURT DECISION UPHOLDING LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR'S RELIGIOUS FREEDOM FROM OBAMACARE**

Congressman Bob Latta (R-Bowling Green) issued the following statement upon following the Supreme Court's decision to continue exemptions from the birth control and reproductive health coverage mandates under Obamacare for religious non-profits.

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- Red Cross Offers Safety Steps for Extreme Cold (Redcross.org)
- How to Dress for Freezing Temps and Stay Safe Outdoors (Redcross.org)

**RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE IN NEW HAVEN**

There will be a blood drive on Monday, February 24, from 2:00-7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall of New Haven United Methodist Church. Call 1-800-RED CROSS or go to [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) using sponsor code umcnewh to schedule an appointment.

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**RELAY FOR LIFE OF EASTERN ALLEN COUNTY SET TO KICKOFF FUNDRAISING EFFORTS FOR 2014**

On January 30, 2014, the American Cancer Society Relay For Life of Eastern Allen County will officially get underway as event volunteers and participants gather at New Haven High School for a kickoff rally to launch their fundraising efforts for the year.

Although the Relay For Life of Eastern Allen County is more than five months away, now is the time to get involved. One in every 100 Americans participates in this fund-raising event that has become a global phenomenon. Residents are invited to attend the kickoff celebration to learn more about the upcoming event and how they can become part of an exciting overnight event that will pave the way to a world with less cancer and more birthdays.

The general public is encouraged to join the worldwide movement to end cancer

right here in Allen County! Come join us on Thursday, January 30, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. at New Haven High School (1300 Green Rd., New Haven, IN 46774) to learn more about what we're doing! Teams are encouraged to register for the 2014 season at [www.relayforlife.org/easternallencountyin](http://www.relayforlife.org/easternallencountyin).

Relay For Life participants and visitors have a chance to celebrate the victory of local cancer survivors during the Survivors Lap; remember those who are fighting cancer or those who have lost their battle to the disease during the Luminaria Ceremony; and participate in the Fight Back Ceremony, which gives everyone a chance to proclaim his or her own way of taking action against the disease.

The 2014 Relay For Life of Eastern Allen County will take place on June 21, 2014 at New Haven High School beginning at 9:00 a.m. For more information about the kickoff event or on how you can get involved, contact Melissa Stephens at 260-471-3911, opt. 3 or [melissa.stephens@cancer.org](mailto:melissa.stephens@cancer.org).

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**LATTA JOINS ANNUAL MARCH FOR LIFE RALLY**

Congressman Bob Latta (R-Bowling Green) joined the 41<sup>st</sup> National March for Life event in Washington, D.C. Following the March, Latta hosted a Congressional reception for hundreds of constituents who attended the pro-life rally on January 22, 2014.

Latta's comment for the day, "Today we mark the 41<sup>st</sup> anniversary of the Supreme Court's Roe v. Wade decision legalizing abortion in the United States. This misguided decision has tragically denied tens of millions of babies the right to life since 1973. As tens of thousands of pro-lifers across the country, including hundreds of Ohioans from the Fifth District, gather in Washington, D.C. for the March for Life, \*your efforts and unwavering dedication in protecting the lives of the unborn and defending the sanctity of life is greatly appreciated.\* I remain committed to fighting with you in safeguarding this basic and fundamental right to life."

\* quote edited by WBN for policy content.

**FLAGSHIP TAX CENTER BACKS "SUPPORT OUR SCHOOLS" CAMPAIGN**

Flagship Tax Center, located at 114 W. Main Street in Van Wert, is proud to announce its fourth year of supporting the region's local school districts with its "Support Our Schools" campaign. When you get your 2013 income tax return prepared and e-filed by Flagship, they will not only give you a \$40 discount on their preparation fees, they will donate \$10 to the school of your choice. Cards were sent home recently with the Van Wert Elementary School students to remind their parents of this very worthwhile project.

In the past three years, Flagship has donated over \$300 to local school districts. This money goes into the general fund for use in buying much needed supplies for the children of their district. Each year, Flagship has been able to increase its donations to local school districts and this year hopes to be the best yet. To participate in this year's project, just call Flagship at 419-238-3030 and mention which school you'd like your donation to go.

**RECENT CHANGES TO NOTE ABOUT CHIP MAGNET COMPUTERS**

It has been a rough last couple of months for me and Chip Magnet Computers. Good news we are back in business. As many of you know, our Antwerp OH location is closed due to a black mold and the obvious health risks associated with it.

We are currently working out of Fort Wayne, IN covering Antwerp OH and surrounding areas.

Also, our contact number has changed. It is now 260-458-1579.

Sincerely,  
—Ramy and Amanda,  
Owners of Chip Magnet Computers

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enhanced 911 capabilities," said Chief Poiry. "Currently New Haven's dispatch is set up with three positions that could handle 911 calls for the City of New Haven; however, the most we ever staff for is two positions. In the past, we have relied on the third console in the event of a natural disaster, heavy storm, or situation where we would be inundated with heavy calls. Since we don't use that third system a lot, we felt this was a reasonable way to cut costs."

In the event of heavy incoming calls following a natural disaster or heavy storm, overflow calls to New Haven's 911 dispatch center would roll over to the CCP's brand new, \$18 million dollar call center on the 6th floor of the Rousseau Center in downtown Fort Wayne that will officially open for business in the coming weeks.

Chief Poiry, who attended the County Council meeting on Thursday, said he is very pleased with the council's decision. "This was the right decision not only for the citizens of New Haven but for all of Allen County," said Poiry.

The new enhanced E-911 system was originally slated to go live on January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2014, but that deadline was pushed back for the first

time to January 28<sup>th</sup> and then later further extended to February 4, 2014. Chief Poiry says that in spite of the turmoil surrounding the funding of the upgrades to New Haven's system, Frontier has pledged to do everything in their power to keep the city's upgrades in-sync with the CCP when they go live in early February.

"I am confident that we will have everything set up on our end in time for the transition to the new CCP compatible system," said Poiry.

Last fall, the future of New Haven's 911 dispatch center was largely uncertain as the city faced a funding crisis centered largely round the question of where the monies should come from to pay for the upgrades. Thursday's unanimous decision by the County Council seems to succinctly put to an end this hotly contested funding issue in the interest of public safety.

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**MATT GILROY NAMED CHIEF MAJOR GIFTS OFFICER AT DEFIANCE COLLEGE**

Defiance College announced recently that Matt Gilroy has joined the Office of Institutional Advancement as senior major gifts officer.

Well-known in the community, Gilroy previously held the positions of executive director of the ProMedica Defiance Regional Hospital Foundation and assistant director of the Defiance County Community Improvement Corporation.

"Matt will be exceptional in his new role because he is someone who shares in the vision of the college as an alumnus, a citizen of the Defiance community and a seasoned fundraising professional," said Wendy Pestrue, vice president for institutional advancement. "We are incredibly fortunate he has chosen to join our team and look forward to working with him."

Gilroy is a 2002 DC alumnus and currently serves as president of the Defiance County Airport Authority. He is a Rotary of Defiance board member and deacon at St. John United Church of

Christ.

"As a Defiance College grad, I strongly believe that it is the responsibility of alumni and the Defiance community to support current and future students to provide them with the best opportunity to succeed," said Gilroy. "Defiance College offers life-transforming experiences to its students. I can definitely say that my life is much better thanks to the experiences that I had on the DC campus and through the opportunities offered to me while a student at Defiance College. I am looking forward to paying it forward as the senior major gifts officer."

Gilroy resides in rural Defiance with his wife, Jennie, and daughter.

**THE NEW HEIGHTS SHOW ON EDUCATION AIRS ON INTERNET RADIO**

In January of 2013 The New Heights Educational Group launched its own internet radio program called "The New Heights Show on Education." Our radio host Kaden Behan chooses a new topic to explore every week and the topics vary from educational tips to allergies covering everything relevant to kids and education. We have had many guest speakers and we look forward to more joining us. Because of the success of this program we launched a second radio program in August. We are now happy to announce our third radio program which will be on Sundays our newest Host Kathy Woodring will guide Sunday's audience in American History from the beginning of our history to current events/civics. Her first show will air on Sunday February 9, 2014 from 11:00-11:30 p.m. and will be titled "Trials of the First Settlements."

Guests can call into either program by calling 347-633-9225. Please visit [www.blogtalkradio.com/newheightseducation](http://www.blogtalkradio.com/newheightseducation) or [www.facebook.com/groups/NewHeights1/](http://www.facebook.com/groups/NewHeights1/) or [twitter@newheightseduc1](https://twitter.com/newheightseduc1)

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**BIBLE QUESTIONS**

**By: James Potter, Oakwood church of Christ**

1. Luke 11:1-4 - Name three basic needs of the Christian?
2. Luke 11:5 - Who said which of you shall have a friend?
3. Luke 11:5 - What time did the friend go to his friends?
4. Luke 11:5 - How many loaves did he ask of his friend?
5. Luke 11:5-10 - What does this parable teach?
6. Luke 11:6 - Where had this guy's friend come from?
7. Luke 11:6 - Why did this guy go to his friend's house?
8. Luke 11:7 - What did the friend within say?
9. Luke 11:8 - Why couldn't the friend rise and give to the man?
10. Luke 11:9 - Why did the man rise and gave as many as the man needs?

Comments or questions? Call James Potter at 419- 393-4775 or Lonnie Lambert at 419-399-5022. Jesus loves you and so does the Oakwood church of Christ.

Answers to last week's Bible questions:

1. Prayer; 2. No; 3. To stop praying; 4. Lord teaches us to pray.; 5. John the Baptist; 6. God.; 7. is to honor and respect who God is.; 8. Our basic necessities.; 9. Means Christians sin and need forgiveness.; 10. If a Christians hope to be forgiven, we must forgive.

Let us observe some things in what we have studied. Notice Jesus uses Father as He starts His prayer, as we all should. Loved ones, we should honor and respect the holiness of God our Father which art in heaven. Reveal a very tender relationship between God and true worshippers, like a family gathered together for meal time and giving God thanks for a bountiful meal. You and I, as we pray should say 'Our Father'; but since Jesus is God's son, He can say my Father. Loved ones, God is our only spiritual Father, and to put this title to any man is sinful. Read Matthew 23:8-10 especially verse 9.

The same thing can go for other titles before a name. Evangelist, preacher, deacon or elder can be used for they are authorized. You and I can pray this prayer, but not in repetition, we need to use other words also. The wrong way to pray is like the Pharisee did in Luke 18:10-14, read verse 11. Also in these same verses, the publican prayed in the right way verse 13. And

then in verse 14, see what Jesus said about this man.

Please continue to pray, read and study your Bible. Ol' Baldy says bye and I "luv ya."

**IS EVOLUTION SETTLED SCIENCE?**

**Winning the Battle for a Generation by: Rick Jones, Defiance Area YFC**

I read recently that a leading scientist remarked that evolution is "settled science." Settled for whom? Consider with me something else that I read that underscores the incredible and marvelous work of the brain, something that argues for "intelligent design."

Your body, including your brain, is fearfully and wonderfully made. In the book *Does My Goldfish Know Who I Am?* Science writer Joshua Foer explains to a nine-year-old boy named Tom how the brain can store so much information despite being that small:

An adult's brain only weighs about [three pounds], but it's made up of about 100 billion microscopic neurons. Each of those neurons looks like a tiny branching tree, whose limbs reach out and touch other neurons. In fact, each neuron can make between 5,000 and 10,000 connections with other neurons—sometimes even more. That's more than 500 trillion connections! A memory is essentially a pattern of connections between neurons.

Every sensation that you remember, every thought that you think, transforms your brain by altering the connections within that vast network. By the time you get to the end of this sentence, you will have created a new memory, which means your brain will have physically changed.

The scriptures remind us that our existence is not the result of a cosmic accident or some impersonal galactic force that resulted in our being ushered from nothingness into something meaningful, personal and eternal. Psalm 139:13-14 (NIV), "For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb. I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well."

For more information about the work of Youth for Christ, you may contact Youth for Christ at 419-782-0656, P.O. Box 111, 210 Clinton Street, Defiance, Ohio 43512, or email to: defyfc@embarqmail.com

**"WHO IS JESUS TO YOU?" TO BE PRESENTED AT WOODBURN UMC**

Please join us for a study of the Book of John, "Who Is Jesus To You?" beginning February 6, 2014 from 12:00-2:00 p.m. at Woodburn United Methodist Church. For more information, please call 260-632-5313.

**DON SMITH'S DYS SWIM DATE RESCHEDULED**

The swim for DYS that Don Smith was scheduled for has been re-scheduled to February 8, 2014.

The YMCA requested this reschedule due to a swim meet being held on February 1<sup>st</sup>.

Thank you for your understanding.

—Don Smith & WBN editors

**MAD ANTS' FAITH & FAMILY NIGHT IS FEBRUARY 1<sup>st</sup>**

The Fort Wayne Mad Ants presented by the Lutheran Health Network have partnered with Huntington University, STAR 88.3 and the Associated Churches Food Network to present Faith and Family Night at the Mad Ants game on Saturday, February 1, 2014.

Indiana's NewsCenter's very own Curtis Smith will give a pre-game testimonial in the Memorial Coliseum's Century Club room at 7:00 p.m. Immediately following the Mad Ants game against the Canton Charge, there will be an hour-long concert featuring the Indiana-based band Sevenglory! Sevenglory has performed shows all over the country since forming in 2001 and have had two songs featured in the Billboard's CHR Top 20 chart, "Just Me" and "Let it Be Love".

For more information about this event, please visit [www.wepay.com/events/madantsfaithnight](http://www.wepay.com/events/madantsfaithnight) or by calling the Mad Ants office at 260-469-4667.

The Mad Ants encourage everyone attending the game to donate a non-perishable food item on Faith and Family Night—last year, the Associated Churches Food Network of 28 neighborhood pantries served over one million meals!

**PAYNE BALL ASSOCIATION TO HOST ANNUAL BASEBALL SKILLS CLINIC**

The Payne (Ohio) Ball Association will be hosting its annual baseball skills clinic on Saturday, February 15, at Wayne Trace High School.

Defiance High School baseball coach Tom Held will be the director of the clinic along with the rest of the Bulldog coaching staff. Tom Held holds a current record of 386-59 in his career at the home of the Bulldogs and has led Defiance to seven consecutive Western Buckeye League championships.

The clinic will be split into two sessions, with the first session focused on players in fourth grade and under from 9:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. Players in fifth grade or higher will participate in the session from 12:00-3:00 p.m.

For more information on the clinic or to register, please contact Doug Etzler at (419) 786-9918 or via e-mail at [dketzler@hotmail.com](mailto:dketzler@hotmail.com).

**AUTHOR DENNIS M. POSTEMA TO SPEAK AT COOPER COMMUNITY LIBRARY**

Author Dennis M. Postema will be a guest speaker in the Community Room of the Cooper Community Branch of the Paulding County Carnegie Library on Thursday, February 6<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. His presentation will be "Medicare Made Simple." This event is part of the special interest classes sponsored by the Oakwood Library Association.

Dennis M. Postema is a successful entrepreneur, best-selling author, speaker, and registered financial consultant. His dedication to his agents and clients has helped his business flourish and made him a 2012 recipient of the 10 Under 40 Award given by the Defiance Chamber of Commerce.

In 2012, Dennis released his first book, *Retirement You Can't Outlive*. The expanded version, released in 2013, quickly became a number one best seller on Amazon. Written in an easy-to-understand format, this essential guide to worry-free retirement is turning countless longstanding investment perceptions upside down - and putting readers' retirement plans right side up. On April 22, 2013, Dennis released his second book, *Avoiding a Legacy Nightmare* and also quickly became an Amazon #1 best seller. *Avoiding a Legacy Nightmare* is a practical and legacy-changing guide to the hidden consequences of selecting the wrong beneficiaries for insurance policies, annuities and retirement accounts.

Contact the Cooper Community Branch of the Paulding County Carnegie Library system for more information at 419-594-3337.

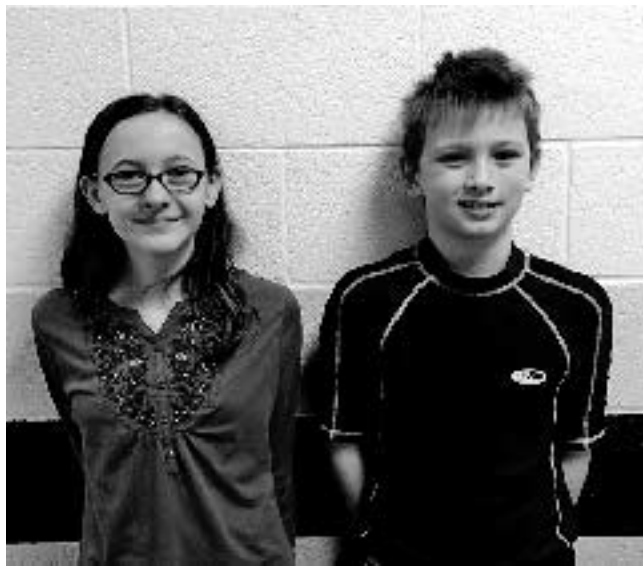
**OAKWOOD LIBRARY ASSOC. OFFERS WINTER BOOKS**

The Oakwood Library Association will be host their annual Winter Used Books starting Monday, January 27 and ending Saturday, February 8 in the Community Room of the Cooper Community Branch of the Paulding County Carnegie Library system. It will be open Monday and Tuesday, Noon to 7:30 p.m., Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. and Saturday 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. There is a huge selection with lots of books, CD's, DVD's, magazines and VHS.

**OAKWOOD MEMORIES NOW AVAILABLE AT COOPER COMMUNITY LIBRARY**

The *Oakwood Memories* book is now available at the Cooper Community Branch of the Paulding County Carnegie Library system. This book is a compilation of articles written by friends and families of the Oakwood Village. The book is full of pictures and stories and memories. The book will help the Oakwood Library Association which is the Friend's group of the Cooper Community Branch. Contact the branch for more information at 419-594-3337.

**DIVINE MERCY GEOGRAPHY BEE WINNERS**



Last week Divine Mercy students participated in a school Geography Bee. The winner was Catie Strable who is a 6<sup>th</sup> grader. Grady Vogel, a

4<sup>th</sup> grader, came in 2<sup>nd</sup> place. Next, Catie will take a written test to see if she can move on to the State competition.

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a brother-sister duo from Ohio City; James plays piano and Ann dances

**Makenna Cabe** of Sidney was the first place winner of the Shelby County Apple Fest Talent Contest

**May Coppler** of Fostoria studies voice, ballet, flute and piano. She was the winner of her age group in Fostoria's Got Talent 2012 and 2013

**Yan Coppler** of Fostoria received classical training in high school and is a previous winner in her category in Fostoria's Got Talent

**Hailey and Heather Harshbarger** from Anna. Hailey plays piano and they share lead vocals and harmony

**Kaden Hohman and Sayler Wise** of Van Wert are an award-winning dance duo. They placed third at Ohio Has Talent! in 2012 and got a casting call for America's Got Talent

**Michaela Johnson** of Van Wert loves music. She takes voice lessons and plays trumpet and piano

**Schylar Miller and Cole Wilson** of Spencerville perform a vocal/alto saxophone duet

**Craig Muhlenkamp** of Coldwater and **Danny Schneibler** of Russia, OH are a partner juggling team that combine juggling, comedy and music

**Tyler Nygren** of Van Wert is an award-winning illusionist who has performed across the country

**Katlayne Poorman** of Fort Wayne, IN performs in talent shows and pageants and auditioned for Ameri-

ca's Got Talent last season

**Victoria Ruble** of Garrett IN is a vocalist who hopes to pursue music as a career

**Shelby County Line** is a country band that has opened for national acts and plays area festivals and fairs. Members: Paul Luft, Yorkshire, Ben Tuttle, St. Marys, Cody Paul, Minster, Michael Molasky, New Bremen

**Danielle Stoller** grew up in Latty and is now a senior at Illinois State University. She has played classical violin since she was six years old

**Hanna Tumbusch** of St. Henry has taken vocal lessons and performed for audiences since she was nine

**Jimina Willis** is a vocalist from Beavercreek

**Alex Wunder**, 2013 Ohio Has Talent winner, will perform during the vote counting. Wunder is a talented vocalist who enjoys singing the classic songs of the 60s, 70s, and 80s and putting his own spin to them. The high school sophomore from Kettering has won other talent competitions and sang the National Anthem at a Cincinnati Bengals game this year.

Contestant photos and bios are posted at [www.ComHealthPro.org/Ohio-HasTalent.php](http://www.ComHealthPro.org/Ohio-HasTalent.php).

For more information please visit [npacvw.ticketforce.com](http://npacvw.ticketforce.com) or contact Community Health Professionals, 419-238-9223.

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**LETTER TO THE EDITOR**

To the members of Woodburn city council and Mayor:  
I am ashamed at the poor job of snow removal on Main Street by Senior Apartment Complex on Main Street and on Bull Rapids Road at Jim's Pizza.  
The city has a good 4-wheel drive tractor cab and a heater and a large snow bucket. They finally removed snow on Wednesday, January 15, 2014 from sidewalks at the senior apartments.  
There is still a large pile of snow on College Street by PNC Bank drive-thru and dentist office blocking view to teh south when driving out of PNC drive-thru.  
The employees did a good plowing of the streets, but they left big piles of snow 3-4 feet high blocking sidewalks after residents shoveled their sidewalks. These have not been removed as of January 15, 2014.  
—Clarence Reichhart, former Woodburn mayor & councilman

**LETTER TO THE EDITOR**

Shame, shame on those people who have decided the simple rules at the school drop-off circle aren't made for them (Antwerp). Because of you, there are teachers and administrators who have to stand out around the circle, and sometimes at the end of the road, to direct traffic. They do this even when the wind chills are -20, and then have people who feel the need to 'flip them the bird' for waving them to pull forward where they should be stopping. I could name a couple names, but won't give them the satisfaction of being personally

recognized in any way.  
What I will say is that you should be ashamed to be teaching your child that it's okay to disregard the rules if it suits you. You see, it isn't just about your child not having to walk an extra 15 steps when it's cold out... (though what makes your child more special than mine!?!). What you're teaching your child to do is disobey the very teachers whom we send them to for learning. These are the very people who you should be teaching them to respect. Shame, shame on you!!  
I am so appreciative to those teachers and administrators who stand outside to make sure the circle moves smoothly, and to keep our children safe. You are so greatly appreciated, even though the need to have you out there shouldn't be.  
—Tera Shull

**LETTER TO THE EDITOR**

While a new year has begun, I am looking back on 2013 and all that the Paulding Bands have accomplished amazes me. 2013 started out with basketball games and that means the pep band is in the gym every home game to entertain the crowd. Next, was OMEA District contest where the band received a 2 (Excellent). This is just a partial list of the band events: the spring concert, the parade at Walt Disney's Magic Kingdom, MOTN-Music of The Night, graduation ceremony, Memorial Day program parade, John Paulding parade. The band marched in the Oakwood Labor Day parade and later that evening performed at the Van Wert Fair Show. Then came the Kalida Pioneer Days parade. Every football game was a wonderful show with great music and amazing marching drills. The marching band competed at Maumee's Music in Motion again receiving a 2. The band played for the Senior Citizen breakfast, the Veteran's Day program and a winter concert. I have probably missed a few more events.

The highlight for the band was taking the field at Ohio State University and competing at the Buckeye Invitational. The band earned a 2 (Excellent) and it was a thrilling day for band kids and the director Mr. Don Clark. It was an accomplishment earned by long hours of hard work and dedication.  
The band works not only on music and marching but band members and their families donate their time at the fair and the fall festival helping run the Three Schools In Harmony Midway Café with Wayne Trace and Antwerp Bands. The band also does some fund-raisers: Creamy Dreamy Soap sales, poinsettias sales, Panther pictures, Century Sales and more.  
With the help of the Paulding community, Paulding School Bands are grow-

ing and thriving. Without the donations from our sponsors, a lot of what the band accomplished might not have happened. The Paulding Band Program is truly grateful for your generosity. The kids are very grateful for the new raincoats we purchased this year with donation money.  
It's basketball time again and that means Pep Band and the list of events start all over again. Band kids deserve a hand for all the hard work they put in year round. Since I was never in band myself, I had no idea how much work being a band member could be. So I just wanted to let the Wayne Trace Band, the Antwerp Band and of course my favorite band, the Paulding High School Band know how much you are appreciated for all you do.  
—Shelly Roughton

**LETTER TO THE EDITOR**

You know when it's a congressional election year again when our illustrious mis-Representative Bob Latta and his crew of mis-informers start their flood of patten' bob on the back notices, pushing blame off on the democratic party when his gang has the majority, and do nothing but obstruct our business! The Republicans have voted numerous times to void the healthcare law, (ask Bob where his insurance comes from!) but can't seem to pass a farm bill! They don't vote for an extension of unemployment benefits, or jobs bills that could get our economy back on track! No, he can't try to get bills passed to fix our crumbling infrastructure (highway, bridges, water and sewer systems, schools), instead he "supports" morality bills, tax cuts for the wealthiest campaign contributors, and sending out the last of the good-paying jobs to the Pacific through lop-sided trade deals that put people out of work, and money in his "buddie's billfolds!"  
I used to be a Republican, until the bi-partisanship started to disappear during the Reagan years! It got a little better during the Clinton years, then in 2000 the railroad from the Congress ran wide open to Bush-cheney Co.'s desk, and only one veto in all that time was signed. In eight years our country's cupboards were cleaned out! This leads us to the do-nothing bunch we have in the House now!  
We need better representation than what we're getting from Mr. Latta! He went to represent our interests; instead has made his checkbook a lot thicker on his watch! It's time for mis-Rep. Bob to start drawing his poorly earned pension check (yes, he's getting a check and insurance for life, complements of us!). The 5<sup>th</sup> District deserves better! Watch for the next installment on how our lobbyist-governor has done!

**LOOKING FORWARD TO A PRODUCTIVE 2014 SESSION IN OHIO HOUSE**

**Guest Column from Representative Tony Burkley**  
Last year featured many important policy issues in the state legislature, most notably the passage of the state's two-year budget. As I enter my second year serving the people of Defiance, Paulding Van Wert counties, as well as part of Auglaize County, I would like to inform my constituents of some of what they can expect to see in 2014.  
One of the issues that we are currently looking at, addresses financing for infrastructure projects like roads, bridges and water storage facilities. Once the terms of the legislation is agreed to and passed by the legislature, the final say will be given to voters on the upcoming May ballot, where they will have an up or down vote on whether to approve funding the projects.

**LATTA COSPONSORS BILL TO PROVIDE GREATER NSA OVERSIGHT**

Congressman Bob Latta (R-Bowling Green) became a cosponsor of H.R. 3436, a bill to ensure greater oversight and accountability within the National Security Agency (NSA).  
The bill requires the Director of the NSA and the Inspector General of the NSA be appointed by the President and confirmed by the United States Senate. Currently, the NSA Director is appointed by the Secretary of Defense and approved by the President, and the IG is appointed by the NSA Director.  
"It is imperative that the NSA continues to have the ability to protect innocent American's; however, I believe Congress and the Administration must continue to have an open discussion on necessary reforms that bring greater oversight and accountability to the NSA's intelligence programs and restores the trust of the American people. I believe this bill is an important step in the right direction," said Congressman Latta.  
Congressman Latta is also a cosponsor of H.R. 3103, the Intelligence Oversight and Accountability Act of 2013. This bill removes discretionary elements regarding what Congress should and should not receive from the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court (FISC) by requiring the Attorney General to share all FISC decisions, orders or opinions that include a denial of a request or a modification of a request made by the intelligence community, or results in a change to any legal interpretation of the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act (FISA) with Congress.

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**GROVER HILL STUDENTS ENJOY REWARD FOR AR POINTS**



Grover Hill students will be celebrating their hard work and determination to reach their goal throughout the nine weeks Accelerated Reader program with an Ice Cream Party. To get extra toppings on their ice cream they had to earn AR points, the

more AR points they got, the more tickets they got. Great job to all those who achieved their goals! Seated at the table (l-r) 4<sup>th</sup> graders Eli Spinner, Trevor Sinn, Jaykob Edwards, Hunter Dugan, Brayson Parrish, Jakob Landwehr and Allen Minch.

**SENATE PASSES BILL TO PROTECT OHIO'S INLAND LAKES**

The Ohio Senate passed Senate Bill 150, sponsored by Senator Cliff Hite (R-Findlay), which seeks to provide proper standards to ensure the responsible use of agriculture nutrients in a way that protects the state's water quality.  
The bill works to strike a healthy balance between preserving the health of Ohio's inland lakes while also ensuring the profitability of the state's agriculture industry.  
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**JENNIFER RAMSIER RETIRES FROM TEACHING**

By: Stan Jordan

Jennifer was born in Chillicothe, OH in 1959. Her parents are Ralph and Nancy Collice Brown. There are two children in the family. She went to school at Uniota as her father was superintendent there. Then they moved to Antwerp as he was superintendent here. She graduated from AHS in 1978. She went to college at Bluffton, OH and received her teaching degree there at 1982. She got her first job at Pandora-Gilboa in Putnam County, and was there one year. Then she started teaching at Payne Elementary in 1983, which is part of the Wayne Trace system. She taught the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade there for 29 years. She retired in May of 2012 after 30 enjoyable years. She really loved teaching.

She married Neil Ramsier in 1983 and they had two children: Anne has 3 children and lives here in Antwerp, Doug lives in Indianapolis.

She started work in 2007 as the Activity Director at Van Crest of Antwerp (formerly Manor House Assisted Living).

She really doesn't have any hobbies. She just loves spending time with her children and grandchildren. She doesn't have time for hobbies as she does a large amount of volunteer work. A lot of what she does is for the United Methodist Church here in Antwerp. The late Wayne Carr asked her to start a fall craft show. That was nine years ago and she still does

that activity. She also does the Christmas For Kids at the UMC. It has developed to nearly 50 families and she is very glad to help do that. She has always helped with the VBS at the church.

When her children were in school she was a football mom and would be there for any other reason they needed another hand—she always was a booster.

She now works full-time as Activity Director at Van Crest in Antwerp. She loves the job and the people. She says it is very rewarding and just makes you feel good.

Her husband Neil does a lot of substitute teaching at Antwerp and Payne and also manages the farm.



I understand Jennifer has joined the local Rotary Chapter. They are a very busy group. She will make them a good member, as she thrives on work and being busy.

After visiting with Jennifer, I now see her hobby is work or keeping busy. She is one of those people who must keep busy—we don't have enough of them. She is the type that I classify as a chief or leader, and they will do you a good job.

I am proud to bring Jennifer's activities to light. Ben Franklin once told me, "If you want a big job done right, give it to a busy person." Old Ben knew what he was talking about.

See ya!

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**One Liners**

\*\*He was so tight, he squeezed the nickel until the Indian rode the buffalo.

\*\*He was so tight he wouldn't pay a nickel to see the devil jump off the courthouse.

\*\*It wasn't the apple up in the tree that caused the trouble for Adam and Eve, it was the 'pear' on the ground.

\*\*His stomach was so touchy, the way he spelled relief was 'Florida'.

\*\*In the country of Mexico, if the government took over the phone system, it would be called "Talk-o-Bell".

\*\*Do you know why in Arkansas they bury a man on the south side of the hill? Because he is dead.

\*\*A man in Arkansas contemplates putting a new roof on his house; but if it isn't raining he doesn't need it, and if it is raining, he can't do it.

\*\*At our house my wife is such a bad cook, we pray after we eat.

\*\*You always see a picture of Napoleon with his right hand inside his shirt. That was because his wife was a bad cook and he had indigestion all the time.

\*\*How do you know the Indians were the first people in North America? Because they had reservations.

\*\*Dead people are cool.

\*\*I would love to help you out. Which way did you come in?

\*\*Where there is a will, there is an inheritance tax.

\*\*Call before you dig.

\*\*My wife said, "When you want your opinion, I will give it to you."

\*\*A drunk was in front of the judge. The judge said, "You were brought here for drinking."

The drunk said, "Okay, let's get started."

\*\*I'm just back from a pleasure trip; I took my mother-in-law to the airport.

\*\*If your dog is barking at the back door and your wife is yelling at the front door, who do you let in first? The dog, of course. He will shut up as soon as you let him in.

\*\*On the other hand, she had warts.

\*\*The energizer bunny is arrested—charged with battery.

\*\*She had pimples on her but she was nice.

\*\*My girlfriend is so fat I have to use the hugging and chalking method... until I met a man coming around the other way.

See ya!

**IT'S "OUR VILLAGE" SO COME OUT & HELP DESIGN OUR FUTURE!**

You are invited to share your thoughts and ideas on what Antwerp should look like ten years from now. If you have ever thought, why

doesn't the Village make things better in terms of a specific aspect of the community, now is the time to share those thoughts. For example, do you think that Antwerp needs...

- Better sidewalks and connected bike paths? (and, if so, where?)

- A more attractive and appealing downtown (and, if so, how?)

- Locations for new economic development and employment (and if so, where?)

- Development near the new interchange that is attractive and viable (and if so, how would you describe it?)

This comprehensive meeting is scheduled to take place on **Tuesday, February 11, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. in the Antwerp School Auditoria** (303 S. Harrmann Road).

The Antwerp we know and love today was created by the decisions of past generations. Now it's your turn to help create the future! Communities like Antwerp prepare a Comprehensive Plans to define long-term goals and aspirations. It is a unique time to consider challenges, and discover ways to build on community strengths. Most importantly, it is a time to consider how Antwerp can become the community our children and grandchildren deserve.

**WHAT TO EXPECT:**

The City's consultant, Poggemeyer Design Group, Municipal leaders and Planning Commission members will facilitate structured sessions to assure that your evening is meaningful and enjoyable. Group discussions will enable attendees to weigh in on important issues facing the Village of Antwerp and provide the opportunity to hear what friends and neighbors think. Results from the recent village survey will also be shared.

**WHY THIS IS IMPORTANT:**

What is learned from this workshop will be used to direct future steps in the update of the Comprehensive Plan. Your input will be used to create a new description of desired development for key areas within the Village, and to create a long-term vision for Antwerp.

**GARRETT AMERICAN LEGION POST 178 TO HOST "AGENT ORANGE" INFORMATIONAL MEETING**

Calling all veterans, again! Especially Vietnam Veterans!

The Garrett American Legion Post 178 will have another meeting on Wednesday March 12, 2014. The topic of this meeting will again be "Agent Orange" or as the government likes to call it "Herbicide Exposure".

The last meeting on Monday, December 16, 2013 was well attended with almost 70 adults there, mostly Vietnam Veterans. There also were family members there. They heard a lot information that they had not heard before from Brian Lamm (DeKalb County Veteran Service Officer). The meeting lasted a little over an hour.

The input we got from that

**DOE-C-DOE 4-H GROUP GEARING UP FOR NEW SEASON**



Pictured above is the 2014 Paulding County 4-H group Doe-C-Doe. The club meets in the party room above the Ice Cream Depot in Antwerp. Front row: (l-r) Jared Sukup, Josh Sukup, Aleyah Cline, Heather Oberlin, Luke McDorman, Jessica Thornell, Katie Oberlin, Eric Thornell, Eli Molitor, and Ray Kupfersmith. Back row: Brock Taylor, Jacob Sukup, Faith McDorman, Rebecca McCroskey, Noah Cline, Advisor Gabe Oberlin, and Courtney Kupfersmith.

The January meeting of the Doe-C-Doe 4-H group was a meeting of turning in registration papers, electing certain officers for the club, and going over important dates in the future. Each month, the group has an hour, to an hour and a half meetings to discuss the group's progress, ideas about community service for their group, and ideas for their booth at the Paulding County Fair on June 9-14<sup>th</sup>.

4-H is a great way to meet new friends, learn new things, and gain some experience on sewing, cooking, creative writing, photography, livestock, robotics, woodworking and many more possible

projects. Having the chance to talk to a couple of 4-H members of the group, I asked them what their favorite part of being in 4-H is. Faith McDorman, who is in her 3<sup>rd</sup> year of 4-H, says her favorite part is 4-H camp in July. Rebecca McCroskey, who has been in 4-H for 8 years now, says her favorite part about 4-H is showing her cows at fair, and the week she gets to be with her best friends, and meet new friends at camp as well.

If you are interested in joining 4-H, you can call the Paulding County Extension office at (419) 399-8225.

meeting was great, but they wanted more information. They also thought there were more veterans that would like to hear the information. Brian Lamm will again be there.

If you were a Vietnam Veteran or had a family member there, please try to attend. Brian Lamm will again be there.

The seating area did fill up quickly, so try to get there before the 6:00 p.m. meeting starting time to get a good seat.

Admission is Free! You do not need to be a member of the Post 178.

Our Post is a non-smoking post but there is a covered area on our deck for that purpose with tables and chairs.

Gibby has volunteered to cook again from 4:30 till 8:00 p.m. This is not a drawing night so we hope it will be quieter than the last meeting.

Mark the date on your calendar now for March 12,

2014 to save the date. Garrett American Legion Post 178 Address 515 W. 15th Ave. on the south end of Garrett.

—Post 178 VSO Mike Rhodes, Post 178 member Tom Kelleher

**The Paulding County Veterans' Service Commission Board Meetings for 2014 will be held on the following dates:**

- January 27
- February 24
- March 31
- April 28
- May 19
- June 30
- July 28
- August 25
- September 29
- October 27
- November 24
- December 15

The meetings are held at The Paulding County Veterans' Service Office beginning at 9:00 am and by appointment only. For an appointment, call 419-399-8285.

**Animal Clinic of Paulding**  
1030 W. Wayne, Suite B  
Paulding, OH 45879  
419-399-2871

**Hours:**  
Tues - 12-5  
Mon, Wed, Thurs, Fri - 9-5

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**DROWN OUT DRY WEATHER**

**The Nurturing Well by: Jill Starbuck**

Have you noticed that you don't seem to drink as much water during the dry winter months? We don't seem to get as thirsty because the weather is cooler and our body temperatures are lower. We aren't working up a sweat as often. However, water is essential to our survival, no matter what time of the year it is. The winter months may just take more effort to remember. The winter months often put us at a higher risk of dehydration, due to drier conditions. Signs of dehydration include feeling thirsty and having dark-colored urine. While the debate continues as to how much water a person needs on a daily basis, there is no argument that it is needed. Here are some ways that water can help you battle dry months:

- **Refreshes your skin.** With furnaces constantly running, winter months are known to zap our skin of moisture, making it tough and dry.
- **Rehydrates your body.** Did you know that we lose

several ounces of water daily simply from breathing? This amount goes up when we have a cough associated with a cold. When we drink less water in the winter, we are putting our bodies at risk of dehydration.

- **Increases energy.** Water channels through our body, pushing nutrients to appropriate cells.
- **Cleanses your body.** Water flushes out toxins from vital organs.
- **Promotes digestion.**

When nutrients flow properly within your body, you feel good all over.

These are just a few of the benefits water brings to dry winter months. Remember that water is important all of the time. Stay tuned for future articles on proper amounts of water and ways to ensure that you drink enough.

**DEFIANCE COLLEGE TO LAUNCH PROGRAM FOR COLLEGE-AGE STUDENTS WITH AUTISM**

Defiance College announced today the start of an innovative program to enable college-age students with autism to pursue a college education. Under the program, which will begin accepting applications from qualified students immediately to enter Defiance College with the beginning of the fall semester in August, students will receive a broad range of comprehensive services to enable them to adjust to and succeed in a college environment.

There are very few specialized college programs for students with autism spectrum disorder (ASD), and

Defiance's new program, to be known as the ASD Affinity Program, breaks new ground in its approach to providing inclusive services to support academic, residential and social environments thereby providing a comprehensive living and learning environment for the students. The ASD Affinity Program builds on Defiance College's success with its Hench Autism Studies Program, in which high school students with autism have been receiving high-school level instruction on the Defiance College campus, in coordination with the Defiance City Schools.

"We are thrilled to be able to offer this new opportunity for college-age students with autism," said Mark C. Gordon, president. "As a college, we already are committed to working with all of our students individually to tailor their educational experience to their own personal interests and goals. This is a logical next step for us as a college, but, more importantly, it is a wonderful new opportunity for a group of students who have traditionally not had sufficient opportunities in terms of college."

The new program will accept a limited number of college students each year who are academically qualified yet may require social and living support to navigate the traditional college residential campus.

"As the number of children diagnosed with autism increases, the need is greater than ever to provide for avenues of success into adulthood," said Dr. Barbara Schirmer, provost. "Defiance's ASD Affinity Program

will assist students in reaching their full potential in a college setting."

The Affinity Program will provide a quality academic experience with appropriate support services. The program seeks to foster independence for young adults with autism by providing a residential campus experience with numerous services in place to maximize opportunities for success and entry into the workforce.

Students accepted into the program will receive campus housing with live-in staff support and supervision by trained individuals; peer mentoring with advice on courses, co-curricular opportunities and other academic matters; faculty advisors within their area of study; and regular meetings with staff members.

The program will promote social and personal growth with the assistance of peer mentors, residence advisors, and instructional sessions.

The ASD Affinity Program will be directed by Dr. Clarissa Barnes, the director of Defiance's Hench Autism Studies Program and an assistant professor of special education at Defiance College.

Dr. Barnes earned a Ph.D. in Rehabilitation with an emphasis in Behavior Analysis and Therapy and her Master of Science in Behavior Analysis from Southern Illinois University-Carbondale. She earned a bachelor's degree in psychology from Western Michigan University and is also a board-certified Behavior Analyst-Doctoral.

Dr. Barnes has more than seven years of experience working with individuals

with ASD, ranging from early intervention to adult services. She has presented and co-presented in numerous professional settings as well as authored and co-authored journal articles and a book chapter.

"The ASD Affinity Program isn't designed to provide a college-like or parallel experience for students with ASD; it is designed to support students with ASD as they have a true college experience," said Dr. Barnes. "The comprehensive services that we are offering will allow students with ASD to participate in all aspects of college life just like any other Defiance College student - from living in the residence halls to midnight breakfasts during finals week and everything in between."

The Hench Autism Studies Program, created in 2007 through the vision of Defiance residents Eric and Deb Hench, provides an on-campus public school classroom for adolescents with ASD, summer camp for adolescents and young adults, a resource center for families, specialized undergraduate peer mentor training, an undergraduate minor in autism studies, and licensure within the Master of Arts in Education program for intervention specialist.

Students interested in applying to the ASD Affinity Program should go to <http://www.defiance.edu/autism/affinity/index.html> on the Defiance College website to begin the application process. Additional questions regarding applications can be directed to Brad Harsha, Director of Admissions, at 419-783-2365 or [bharsha@defiance.edu](mailto:bharsha@defiance.edu).

**SECRETARY OF STATE HUSTED REMINDS OHIOANS: ONE VOTE MATTERS**

For anyone who has ever questioned the impact or importance of their vote, Ohio Secretary of State Jon Husted today provided more evidence that one vote really does matter.

Based upon review of 110 recounts conducted following the 2013 General Election on November 5<sup>th</sup>, 35 local races and eight local issues were decided by one vote or through breaking a tie. Just one person could have made the difference in deciding whether local taxes would go up and whether someone else would have served in important local offices, including township trustee, city or village council and school board. In fact, an individual was elected mayor based upon drawing a high card.<sup>1</sup>

Regarding this data, all of the following may be attributed to Secretary Husted:

"These results are proof that every vote can make a difference.

"When a single vote can have such a big impact in so many places, you can understand why we focus so heavily on accuracy of the voter rolls and the integrity of the elections process, and why we encourage every voter to take their right and responsibility to vote seriously.

"Close elections reinforce our focus to make it easy to vote and hard to cheat in Ohio."

<sup>1</sup> *Yes! it is true that under Ohio law, in case of a draw, flipping a coin or drawing cards are legitimate ways for boards of elections to break the tie by "lot."*

**ANTWERP LOCAL SCHOOL**  
FEBRUARY 2014 NEWSLETTER

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**SUPERINTENDENT'S MESSAGE**

The second semester of the 2013-2014 school year got off to a rough start with the worst winter weather we have seen in several years. We have missed school six days this year, so we will be in session on President's Day, February 17<sup>th</sup> as a make-up day. If we miss any additional days, they will be made up at the end of the school year. With many cold and snowy days before us, I would like to remind parents to have students dress warmly when waiting for the bus. The decision to delay or cancel school is always difficult, but the determining factor will always be the safety of our students. Student drivers should be reminded that road conditions change throughout the day and caution should always be used when driving in the winter. Delays and closings are sent out by Instant Alert and also on various television and radio stations.

The annual organizational meeting for the school board was held on January 9. Dennis Recker was elected President and Mark Ryan was elected Vice President. Also serving on the board this year are Anita Bok, Bob Herber and Kipp Taylor. Monthly meetings in 2013 will be the third Thursday of each month. The next regular meeting is Thurs., Feb. 20 at 6:00 in the Board Room.

Antwerp Local Schools has partnered with 15 other districts in Northwest Ohio and been awarded a Straight A Grant from the Department of Education. This grant will allow us to expand online elective opportunities for our current students, as well as offer online curriculum to students who are currently being educated at home or at other online schools. High school students will receive a description of virtual class offerings from Mrs. Rogge prior to scheduling for the 2014-2015 school year. I am excited our district is part of this new and innovative initiative and look forward to sharing additional information in the coming months.

A great way to beat the winter blahs is to attend a school event. There are still multiple athletic events during the month of February, as well as High School Band and Choir Solo and Ensemble on February 1 at St. Mary's High School. I invite you to come and watch the great students who attend Antwerp Local Schools.

**NOTES FROM YOUR PRINCIPALS**

**MR. BUTE—MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL**  
The first semester grades are completed and grade cards have been sent. I would like to remind students and parents how to calculate first semester grades. The first two grading periods are worth 40% each while the semester exam is worth 20% of the final grade. Winter athletic eligibility is determined by grades earned during the *second grading period*, not the semester average.

As we move into February, we continue preparation for the Ohio Graduation Test (OGT). The OGT will be administered March 10-21, 2014. I strongly encourage families to avoid planning any trips or vacations during this time. The Spring OGT will be given to all sophomores and any juniors/seniors who haven't passed all five content areas (Reading, Writing, Math, Social Studies, and Science).

Antwerp Local will be participating in the Spring 2014 PARCC (Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers) Field Test. Ohio has implemented new College- and Career-Ready standards which our students will be assessed on. The state's goal is to develop a common set of K-12 assessments in the subjects of English and Math that will be administered in the 2014-2015 school year. The assessments will be computer-based and will be a new experience for many students. The first window of testing will be for the Performance Based Assessment (PBA), which will be open from March 24 - April 11, 2014. More details will follow in the March Newsletter.

**MR. MANZ—ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**  
Grade cards have been sent out, the Christmas Break is over, and we now set our sights on upcoming testing pilots. Ohio's testing program will be transitioning to new, mostly online, tests that will be fully implemented in the next couple of years. These online tests will include both end-of-year (EOY) and performance-based assessments (PBA) that are more rigorous and in-depth than the current testing system. We, at the elementary, believe it will be beneficial to begin exposing our students to these new types of tests, and have volunteered to pilot at least one of these tests at every grade level. The kindergarten-2<sup>nd</sup> grade will be piloting an online cognitive ability test begin-

ning February 3, while grades 3-5 will be testing later in March and April with new math, science, and social studies tests. We are excited to see how this new testing process works out.

Congratulations to 5<sup>th</sup> grader Aaron Hawley for winning the elementary spelling bee, and 5<sup>th</sup> grader Austin Lichty for placing as the runner-up. Aaron correctly spelled the word "jitterbug," and then "sourly" to win the contest. Aaron then competed in the Paulding County Spelling Bee on January 27. Congratulations once again.

I want to thank everyone for their help and understanding as we continue to make changes to the student drop off and pick up procedures, in order to make this as safe as possible for everyone involved. I would just like to remind you that students should be dropped off in the small circle-drive or the parking lot. When getting dropped off, elementary students should be escorted, at least to the sidewalk, by an adult or older sibling. When getting picked up, elementary students should be either picked up in the small circle drive, or escorted to the parking lot by an adult or older sibling. Thank you for following these guidelines. Once again, we request this with our student's safety at the fore-front of our minds.

Any students that are interested in attending preschool for the first time **must** attend a child screening. The first screening is February 7, from 11:00 am - 2:00 pm at the Antwerp Methodist Church. The next screening is scheduled for March 21, from 11:00 am - 3:00 pm at the St. Paul Lutheran Church in Paulding. Please call 1-877-473-8166 to schedule your appointment.

**GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT**  
Scholarship information can be found on the school website under Students—Guidance-Scholarships. These are updated periodically so check the website frequently. Students are also given a list of scholarships each month in their English class. To have the scholarship list emailed to you, please contact Mrs. Rogge.

**KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION**  
Antwerp Elementary is now scheduling appointments for 2014-15 kindergarten screening and registration to be held Tues.-Wed., March 25-26 here at the school. If your child will be five years old before August 1, 2014, please call the elementary office at ext. 2200, to schedule your appt.

**ATHLETIC CALENDAR**

**VARSITY BOYS BASKETBALL**

Feb. 1	6:00	Home w/Montpelier
Feb. 7	6:00	@ Wayne Trace
Feb. 8	6:00	@ Edon
Feb. 14	6:00	Home w/Ayersville
Feb. 15	6:00	Home w/Hilltop
Feb. 18	6:00	Home w/Woodlan

**VARSITY GIRLS BAKETBALL**

Feb. 4	6:00	@ Stryker
Feb. 8	1:00	@ Parkway
Feb. 11	6:00	@ Hilltop
Feb. 13	6:00	@ Ayersville

**FRESHMAN BASKETBALL**

Feb. 3	5:00	@ Paulding
Feb. 6	5:00	@ Wayne Trace
Feb. 13	5:00	Home w/Ayersville
Feb. 16	TBA	GMC @ Tinora
Feb. 17	TBA	GMC @ Tinora
Feb. 23	TBA	GMC @ Tinora

**JH BOYS BASKETBALL**

Feb. 1	11:30	7th Trn. @ Wayne Trace
Feb. 3	5:00	@ Fairview
Feb. 6	5:00	Home w/Hicksville
Feb. 8	TBA	GMC @ Holgate
Feb. 10	TBA	GMC @ Holgate
Feb. 15	TBA	GMC @ Holgate

**VARSITY WRESTLING**

Feb. 1	8:00	GMC @ Fairview
Feb. 6	6:00	County Tri @ Wayne Trace

**JH WRESTLING**

Jan. 30	4:30	GMC @ Edgerton
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**DISTRICT CALENDAR EVENTS**

Feb. 1	High School Solo & Ensemble Contest
Feb. 3	PTO Bingo Night—5:30
Feb. 5	Sophomores visit Vantage
Feb. 12	<b>2-Hour Delay</b> - Teacher In-Service
Feb. 14	Midterm for the 3 <sup>rd</sup> Grading Period
Feb. 18	Jostens meet w/Freshmen (Class Rings)
Feb. 19-20	Spring Pictures - Lifetouch
Feb. 24	Jostens—Class Ring Orders (5:30 -6:30p.m.)

**MENU—February 3-7**  
**Mon., 2/03** Salisbury Steak on Bun, Green Beans, Pears, Milk  
**Tues., 2/04** Sloppy Joe on Bun, Baked Fries, Apple, Milk  
**Wed., 2/05** Chicken Nuggets, Tossed Salad, Pineapple, Milk  
**Thurs., 2/06** Turkey & Ham on Bun w/Pickle, Lettuce & Cheese, Baked Beans, Oranges, Milk  
**Fri., 2/07** Cheese Pizza, Carrots w/Dip, Applesauce, Milk  
Our menu is available on our website or stop by one of the school offices for a copy



Brenda Feasby attempts a layup in the first quarter against the Wildcats. More pictures at westbendnews.net

Wayne Trace Girls took on the Delphos Jefferson on Tuesday, January 21 at the Raider home court. JV took to the court first with the Wildcats winning that match in a close 30-33 battle.

Parent's night quickly followed the junior varsity competition, leading up to the main game.

The varsity game started with Wayne Trace's Erin Mohr making the first basket. There is no way to describe this game other than the Raiders dominated the entire match. The first quarter was close and then Delphos went home early.

13-11 was the closest quarter and that ended the first. The halftime score was 24-13 with Wayne Trace in the lead. The Raiders were continually breaching the Wildcats defense with the team driving in baskets.

The second half of the game went the same way. The third quarter was closer and the fourth quarter Wayne Trace more than doubled the opponents. Final Score at the end of the fourth quarter was 49-28 with the Raiders taking the game. This basketball game added another win to the girls record, now at 9-5.

Wayne Trace scorers of

the game:

Erin Mohr 17, Sylvia Young 11, Lauren Speice 7, Shayna Temple 5, Brooke Wilcox 4, Madi Poling 3, Brenda Feasby 2.

Score by the Quarter:  
 Wayne Trace - 13 11 11 14=49  
 Delphos Jefferson - 11 2 9 6=28

**GAME SCHEDULE CHANGE FOR NEW HAVEN BASKETBALL**

There was a misprint in the schedule for New Haven High School boys basketball.

The New Haven vs. Norwell: New Haven will play at Norwell on Saturday, January 25 at 6:15 p.m.

**LADY RAIDERS CLAIM VICTORY OVER AGES**

The Wayne Trace Lady Raiders took it to the court against the Hicksville Aces on Thursday, January 23rd. Wayne Trace took a marginally lead in the first quarter and maintained the paces throughout the game giving them a final win of 54-36. The Wayne Trace JV also claimed a win on the evening: 47-31.

Score by the Quarter:  
 Wayne Trace - 17 14 11 12=54

Hicksville - 8 11 7 10=36  
 Scorers of the Game:  
 Wayne Trace - Mohr 10, Temple 9, Speice 7, Wilcox 2, Feasby 9, Myers 1, Poling 5, Young 9, E Sinn 2

Hicksville - Monroe 11, Hablewetz 2, Demland 1, Sell 7, Taylor 13, Schroeder 2

**RAIDERS SHOOT DOWN THE PILOTS IN HS BOYS BASKETBALL**

Wayne Trace took Ayersville to the court on January 17th. The final score was a Raider victory: 67-53.

Score by the Quarter:  
 Wayne Trace - 10 9 23 25=67  
 Ayersville - 13 20 9 11=53

Scorers of the Game:  
 Wayne Trace - Miller 2, E Linder 19, Speice 12, Ar-end 5, C Linder 11, Wenzlick 11, Sinn 5, Blackmore 2

Ayersville - Martin 21, McGuire 3, Dales 2, Bauman 13, Zimmermann 5, Gerken 5

JV: Wayne Trace 46, Ayersville 35

**WARRIORS BEAT JETS IN POWERFUL 2<sup>ND</sup> HALF**

By: Jeff Abbott

Woodlan trailed by as many as 8 points in the first half, before the Warriors came back with a strong second half to beat Adams Central 54-50 in boys' ACAC basketball at Woodlan. The Warriors tied the score early in the third period, getting 5 straight points from Jeffrey Jones. Adams Central stayed close and led 48-47 in the fourth period before Woodlan took the lead for good with a Greg White three-pointer. Jaylin Bennet was high scorer for the Warriors with 14 points.

Score by the Quarter:  
 Adams Central - 19 11 12 8=50

Woodlan - 11 17 15 11=54  
 Scorers of the Game:  
 Adams Central - Black 19, Cable 14, Baumer 9, Fox 4, Byerly 2, Voirol 2

Woodlan - Bennett 14, Gerig 12, Jones 10, White 9, Gustin 5, Hahn 2, Stieglitz 2

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**NEW HAVEN FIGHTS THE GOOD FIGHT AGAINST NORWELL**



Rachel Drew posts two for the Bulldogs. More pictures at westbendnews.net

It was a cold night for the New Haven game even though school was cancelled on Friday, January 24. Norwell took to the streets and hit the court with a JV win finishing a 23-42 loss given to New Haven.

The Lady Bulldogs basketball against the Knight started strong. The first quarter ended with New Haven a little behind. The Bulldogs came back and finished the half in the lead at 21-20. At half time the little Dawg ladies played their game.

The second half Norwell got on the ball and crushed the home team. Both teams scored more than the first half, but the Knights out-scored the Bulldogs by quite a bit.

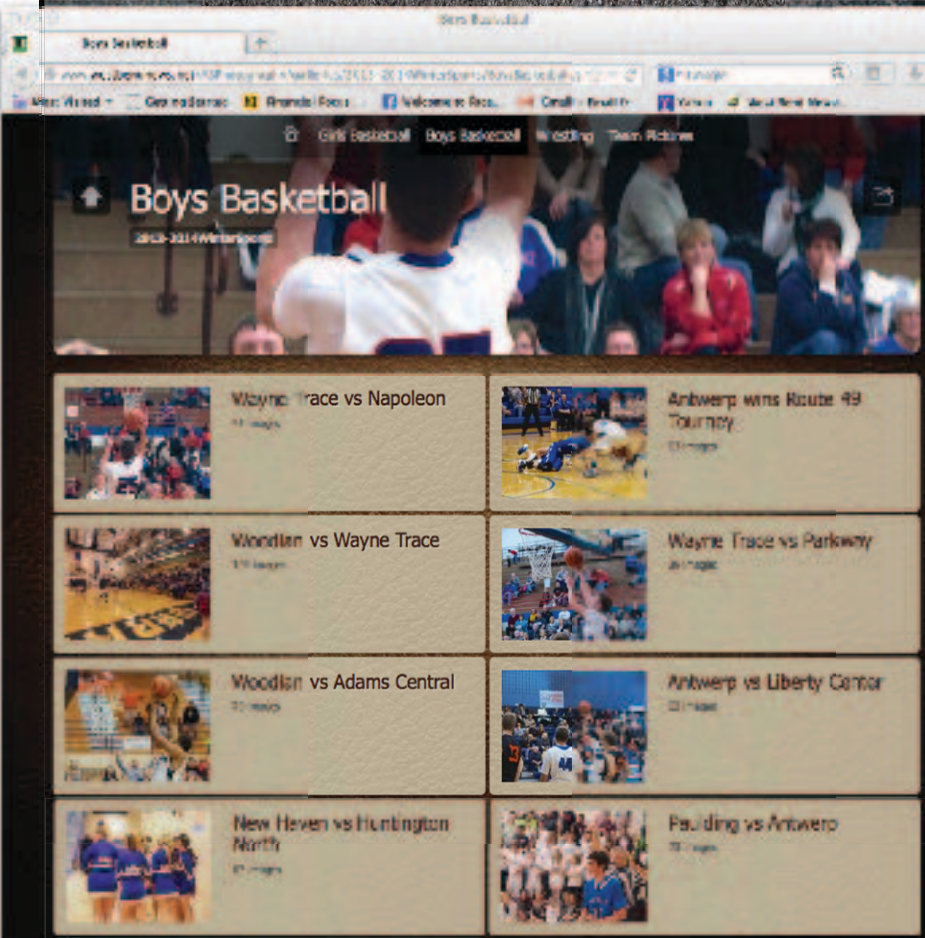
Several outstanding team players included FerNhaze McGraw, Haley Fox, who nailed several three pointer in the first half.

Score by the Quarter:  
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**INVESTORS CAN LEARN MUCH FROM SUPER BOWL TEAMS**



**Financial Focus by: Gabe Pollock, Edward Jones Advisor**

If you're a football fan (and probably even if you aren't), you are aware that we're closing in on the Super Bowl. This year's event is unique in that it is the first Super Bowl held in an outdoor, cold-weather site — New Jersey, to be specific. However, the 2014 game shares many similarities to past Super Bowls in terms of what it took for the two teams to arrive at this point. And some of these same characteristics apply to successful investors.

Here are a few of these shared traits:

- **A good offense** — Most Super Bowl teams are adept at moving up and down the field and crossing the goal line. And good investors know how to choose those investments that can provide them with the gains they need to keep moving toward their own goals, such as a comfortable retirement. That's why, at every stage of your life, you will need to own a reasonable percentage of growth-oriented investments, such as stocks and stock-based vehicles.

- **A strong defense** — Even a good offense usually isn't enough to vault a team into the Super Bowl, which is why most participants in the Big Game also have strong defenses. Similarly, the best investors don't just put all their money in a single type of aggressive instrument and then forget about it — they know that a downturn affecting this particular asset class could prove extremely costly.

Instead, they "defend" their portfolios by diversifying their holdings among a range of investments: stocks, bonds, government securities, certificates of deposit, and so on. And you can do the same. Keep in mind, however, that although diversification can help reduce the impact of volatility on your portfolio, it can't guarantee a profit or always protect against loss.

- **Perseverance** — Every team that makes it to the Super Bowl has had to overcome some type of adversity — injuries to key players, a difficult schedule, bad weather, playoff games against good opponents, etc. Successful investors have also had to overcome hurdles, such as bear markets, bad economies, political battles and changing tax laws. Through it all, these investors stay invested, follow a long-term strategy and continue to look for new opportunities — and their perseverance is often rewarded. You can follow their example by not jumping out of the market when the going looks tough and not overreacting to scary-sounding headlines.

- **Good coaching** — Super Bowl teams contain many fine players, but they still need coaches who can analyze situations and make the right decisions at the right times. Smart, experienced investors also benefit from "coaching" — in the form of guidance from financial professionals. It's not always easy for busy people to study the financial markets, stay current on changing investment-related laws, monitor their own portfolios and make changes as needed. By working with a financial professional who knows your situation, needs, goals and risk tolerance, you will find it much easier to navigate the increasingly complex investment world.

As we've seen, some of the same factors that go into producing a team capable of reaching the Super Bowl are also relevant to investors who want to reach their own goals. By incorporating these behaviors and attitudes into your own investment strategy, you'll be following a pretty good "game plan."

**iAB FINANCIAL BANK DONATES TO COMMUNITIES**

iAB Financial Bank recently presented McKenzie's Hope, the Huntington County Child Advocacy Center, as well as SCAN (Stop Child Abuse and Neglect) of Allen County, with donations in the amount of \$2,214 to each organization. These contributions are part of the more than \$6,000 dollars raised by iAB in 2013.

The Fun Committee of iAB collected money from its 285 employees throughout 2013 by sponsoring monthly "Jeans Days" in order to assist local non-profit agencies. On these special days, iAB employees were able to wear jeans to work with a minimum donation of \$3. While not only creating a fun environment for the staff, it was a great way to help raise additional funds to be given back to local charities in the community. Sticking true to their slogan of "the power of partnership," donations to McKenzie's Hope and SCAN are just another way that iAB Financial Bank is committed to partnering with communities in order to help them succeed and grow. "I couldn't be more proud of iAB employees and their commitment to making a difference," stated Michael Marhenke, iAB President and CEO.

iAB Financial Bank employs approximately 285 people in our local communities which include Bluffton, Grabill, Fort Wayne, Harlan, Huntington, Leo, Markle, New Haven, Ossian, Roanoke, Van Buren and Warren.

**PARENTS & STUDENTS TO RECEIVE FREE FINANCIAL AID ASSISTANCE DURING COLLEGE GOAL SUNDAY**

Often, financial aid can make the difference between someone earning a college education and dreaming of a college education. Students who believed they could never afford college tuition are finding financial assistance through grants, loans and scholarships that they never knew existed. The first step to obtaining financial aid is completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Students and their families can receive free help during the national College Goal Sunday event on February 9, from 2:00-4:00 p.m. at Northwest State Community College. The event is open to all students, regardless of where they plan to attend college.

The FAFSA is the federal application that is required to receive financial aid, including the Federal Pell Grant, student loans and need-based state grants, and it is applicable to all colleges and universities. Many colleges and universities require a completed FAFSA to be eligible for private scholarships as well. Students who plan to enroll for the summer 2014, fall 2014 and/or spring 2015 semester(s) should complete the FAFSA as soon as possible, as some aid is awarded on a first-come, first-served basis.

"The FAFSA can be confusing, and the College Goal Sunday event is great, because we can walk people through the forms," said Carling Belknap, financial aid counselor at NSCC. "Anyone is welcome, even if they plan

on attending a college or university other than Northwest State. College Goal Sunday is about helping make a college education more affordable, no matter where that education is earned."

Walk-ins are welcome, but students are encouraged to register for the event at [www.ohiocollegegoalsunday.org](http://www.ohiocollegegoalsunday.org), or by calling 1.800.233.6734. Students (and parents where applicable) should bring the following documents for the FAFSA: 2013 IRS 1040 tax returns and W2s, social security card, driver's license and any other benefit and income information. If parents and/or students have not completed 2013 tax forms, income can be estimated.

College Goal Sunday will take place in room A225 on the east end of campus at Northwest State Community College. A map of the College can be found at [Northwest-State.edu](http://Northwest-State.edu). Every student who completes the FAFSA during College Goal Sunday will be entered into a drawing to win one of several Barnes and Noble gift cards.

The free event is sponsored by the Ohio Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators and endorsed by the Ohio Board of Regents. The Ohio Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators is a non-profit, professional organization for individuals involved in the administration of higher education financial aid within the State of Ohio. As an educational organization, it strives to offer resources to students, families and high school advisors to promote higher education and increase awareness of financial aid opportunities.

**FIRST DEFIANCE FINANCIAL CORP. REPORTS RECORD FULL YEAR EARNINGS**

First Defiance Financial Corp. (NASDAQ: FDEF) announced today record net income for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2013 totaled \$22.2 million, or \$2.19 per diluted common share, compared to \$18.7 million or \$1.81 per diluted common share for the year ended December 31, 2012. For the fourth quarter 2013, First Defiance earned \$5.1 million, or \$0.50 per diluted common share compared to \$5.2 million; or \$0.52 per diluted common share for the fourth quarter of 2012.

"The record earnings achieved in 2013 reflects a very successful year for First Defiance," said Donald P. Hileman, President and CEO of First Defiance Financial Corp. "Despite the challenges of an often uncertain economy, our financial performance was strengthened, and our core profitability was enhanced particularly by improved credit quality."

The fourth quarter 2013 results were negatively impacted by a \$219,000 after tax loss, or \$0.02 per diluted common share, as a result of \$337,000 in other-than-temporary impairment losses recognized on \$1.9 million of collateralized debt obligations (CDOs). The CDO securities were among those considered disallowed under the revised final "Volcker Rule" of the Dodd-Frank Act which requires the Company to liquidate these securities.

In the fourth quarter of 2012, the Company executed a balance sheet restructuring strategy taking an after tax loss of approximately \$260,000 through selling \$60 million in securities for a gain of \$1.6 million and paying off \$62 million in FHLB advances with a prepayment penalty of \$2.0 million.

**Credit Quality:**  
Non-performing loans totaled \$27.8 million at December 31, 2013, a decrease from \$32.6 million at December 31, 2012. In addition, First Defiance had \$5.9 million of real estate owned at December 31, 2013 compared to \$3.8 million at December 31, 2012. Accruing troubled debt restructured loans were \$27.6 million at December 31, 2013 compared with \$28.2 million at December 31, 2012. For the fourth quarter of 2013, First Defiance recorded net charge-offs of \$1.5 million, down from \$2.2 million in the fourth quarter of 2012 and up from \$782,000 in the third quarter of 2013. The allowance for loan loss as a percentage of total loans was 1.58% at December 31, 2013 compared with 1.75% at December 31, 2012.

The fourth quarter results include expense for provision for loan losses of \$475,000, compared with \$2.6 million for the same period in 2012 and \$476,000 in the third quarter of 2013.

"Non-performing assets declined during the quarter and are now at their lowest levels in over five years," said Hileman. "Our improved credit quality resulted in lower provision expense and has been a key factor in our stronger earnings."

**Net Interest Income:**  
Net interest income of \$17.0 million

in the fourth quarter of 2013 was down from \$17.4 million in the fourth quarter of 2012. The net interest margin decreased to 3.61% in the fourth quarter of 2013 compared with 3.92% in the fourth quarter of 2012 and 3.84% in the third quarter of 2013. Yield on interest earning assets declined by 43 basis points, to 3.97% in the fourth quarter of 2013 from 4.40% in the fourth quarter of 2012. The cost of interest-bearing liabilities decreased by 14 basis points in the fourth quarter of 2013 to 0.46% from 0.60% in the fourth quarter of 2012.

"Our net interest income remained solid during the quarter, down just slightly from the previous quarter," said Hileman. "Strong deposit growth during the quarter elevated our liquidity which led to some tightening in the net interest margin."

**Non-Interest Income:**

First Defiance's non-interest income for the fourth quarter of 2013 was \$6.5 million compared with \$10.2 million in the fourth quarter of 2012. The fourth quarter of 2013 included \$337,000 of securities losses realized on CDOs, while last year included \$1.6 million in gains on the sale of investment securities from an executed balance sheet restructuring strategy. In addition, mortgage banking income decreased to \$1.3 million in the fourth quarter of 2013, down from \$2.7 million in the fourth quarter of 2012. Gains from the sale of mortgage loans decreased in the fourth quarter of 2013 to \$756,000 from \$2.7 million in the fourth quarter of 2012. Mortgage loan servicing revenue was \$918,000 in the fourth quarter of 2013, up from \$888,000 in the fourth quarter of 2012. The Company had a negative change in the valuation adjustment in mortgage servicing assets ("MSR") of only \$4,000 in the fourth quarter of 2013 compared with a positive adjustment of \$96,000 in the fourth quarter of 2012.

Service fees and other charges were \$2.5 million in the fourth quarter of 2013, down from \$2.6 million in the fourth quarter of 2012.

Income from the sale of insurance and investment products was \$2.1 million in the fourth quarter of 2013, up from \$2.0 million in the fourth quarter of 2012.

"Our fee income business units contributed significantly to our overall profitability this quarter while mortgage banking revenues remained well below the prior year's level due to the reduction in refinancing activity" stated Hileman.

**Non-Interest Expenses:**

Total non-interest expense was \$15.9 million in the fourth quarter of 2013, a decrease from \$17.5 million in the fourth quarter of 2012. The fourth quarter last year included \$2.0 million of prepayment fees associated with the repayment of FHLB debt resulting from the executed balance sheet restructuring strategy. Compensation and benefits increased to \$8.3 million in the fourth quarter of 2013 compared to \$7.8 million in the fourth quarter of 2012. The increase in compensation and benefits is mainly related to higher incentive compensation and merit increases from a year ago. FDIC insurance costs decreased to \$359,000 in the fourth quarter of 2013 from \$660,000 in the fourth quarter of 2012 due to the improvement in the Company's risk category late in the first quarter of 2013. Data processing cost increased to \$1.3 million in the fourth quarter of 2013 from \$1.2 million in the fourth quarter of 2012. Credit, collection and real estate owned costs were \$835,000 in the fourth quarter of 2013, which included \$452,000 of OREO write downs, compared to \$488,000 in the same period of 2012. Other non-interest expense was \$3.5 million in the fourth quarter of 2013, a decrease of \$1.4 million from the fourth quarter of 2012 primarily due to the 2012 prepayment fee on repaying FHLB debt. The fourth quarter 2013 included secondary market buy-back losses of \$51,000 compared to a reversal of \$115,000 in accrued losses recorded in the fourth quarter 2012.

**Annual Results:**

For the full year ended December 31, 2013, net income was \$22.2 million, up 19% from \$18.7 million in 2012. Net inter-

est income for 2013 totaled \$67.6 million, compared with \$69.0 million for 2012. Average interest-earning assets decreased slightly to \$1.85 billion in for 2013, compared to \$1.86 billion in 2012. Net interest margin for 2013 was 3.76%, down 5 basis points from the 3.81% margin for 2012.

The provision for loan losses for 2013 was \$1.8 million, compared to \$10.9 million in 2012.

Non-interest income for the year 2013 was \$30.6 million, compared to \$34.4 million in 2012. Non-interest income for 2013 included \$240,000 of net securities losses compared with \$2.1 million of net securities gains for 2012. Service fees and other charges were \$10.0 million for 2013, down from \$10.8 million in 2012. Mortgage banking income decreased to \$8.4 million for 2013, compared with \$9.7 million in 2012. Insurance and investment sales revenues increased to \$9.6 million for 2013, compared with \$8.7 million for 2012 mainly due to an increase in contingent commissions of \$436,000 in 2013.

Non-interest expense decreased to \$64.8 million for 2013 from \$65.8 million in 2012. Compensation and benefits expense was \$34.3 million for 2013 compared with \$32.6 million for 2012 primarily due to merit increases from a year ago, higher incentive expenses and an increase in medical insurance costs. Credit, collection and real estate owned costs have increased \$391,000 from 2012 and secondary market buy-back losses have increased \$524,000 for 2013 compared to 2012.

**Total Assets at \$2.14 Billion:**

Total assets at December 31, 2013 were \$2.14 billion, compared to \$2.05 billion at December 31, 2012. Net loans receivable (excluding loans held for sale) were \$1.56 billion at December 31, 2013, compared to \$1.49 billion at December 31, 2012. Total cash and cash equivalents were \$179.3 million at December 31, 2013 compared with \$136.8 million at December 31, 2012. Also, at December 31, 2013, goodwill and other intangible assets totaled \$65.0 million compared to \$66.3 million at December 31, 2012.

Total deposits at December 31, 2013 were \$1.74 billion compared with \$1.67 billion at December 31, 2012. Non-interest bearing deposits at December 31, 2013 were \$348.9 million compared to \$315.1 million at December 31, 2012. Total stockholders' equity was \$272.1 million at December 31, 2013 compared to \$258.1 million at December 31, 2012.

**Dividend to be Paid February 28:**

The Board of Directors declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.15 per common share payable February 28, 2014 to shareholders of record at the close of business on February 21, 2014. The dividend represents an annual dividend of 2.37% percent based on the First Defiance common stock closing price on January 17, 2014. First Defiance has approximately 9,719,521 common shares outstanding.

**Real Estate Taxes Are Due Wednesday, February 5, 2014**

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**HIGH FLYIN' QUARTER FOR PAULDING GIRLS**



Paulding's Faith Vogel grabs the rebound on the Knights side of the court. More pictures at westbendnews.net

The Crestview Knights took on Paulding at the Panther court on Thursday, January 23. Paulding JV Girls struggled the entire match, not able to recover.

Following the JV game the Lady Panthers varsity also grappled with getting the ball through the hoop. In the first quarter Paulding was only able to get four points and the same for the second, adding up to a half time deficit of 8-27. Height in this match played a huge part of this game for the Knights.

The second half of the game started the exact same with Crestview's Riggenbach and Mercer continually fracturing the Paulding defense. Again, the Lady Panthers only had four for the third quarter.

The fourth quarter was different period! If the home

team would play this way every quarter, there would be one team and no competition at the top of the NWC girls basketball. Paulding's team led by Sierra McCullough, amassed an incredible 23 points for the last quarter alone, almost doubling their other three quarters combined! Alas, it was not enough to take the game and Crestview took home the win at 35-47.

Score by the Quarter:  
Paulding - 4 4 4 23=35  
Crestview - 13 14 8 12=47  
Paulding scorers of the game:

Jaycie Varner 8, Sierra McCullough 13, Combs 7, Faith Vogel 5, Abby Pease 2

Vogel led Paulding in rebounds with 7 and a team total of 21. Paulding is now 5-9 and Crestview is 13-1.

**VAN WERT OVER PAULDING IN GIRLS HS BASKETBALL**

The Paulding Lady Panthers took on the Van Wert Lady Cougars on January 14th. The Panthers took a tough loss to the Cougars: 20-54.

Score by the Quarter:  
Paulding - 4 2 7 7=20  
Van Wert - 18 20 11 5=54  
Scorers of the Game:  
Paulding - Varner 3, McCullough 6, Vogel 6, Pease 3, Snipes 2

Van Wert - Jones 5, Hall 2, Dowdy 6, Kohn 5, Moonshower 9, Handy 7, Morrow 14, Weigle 3, Bair 3

Stats of the Game:  
Rebounds - Paulding 20 (McCullough 5); Van Wert 16 (Butler 4)

Turnovers - Paulding 25; Van Wert 11

Shooting - Paulding 2pt: 7/23, 3 pt: 1/5, FT: 3/12; Van Wert 2 pt: 12/24, 3 pt: 6/15, FT: 9/13

JV: Van Wert won  
Records: Paulding 5-6; Van Wert 11-2

**PAULDING GIRLS TAKE A HARD LOSS AT THE RAMS HOME COURT**

NWC Paulding Girls travelled to GMC Tinora on Tuesday, January 22. After Tinora won the JV game the home team worked to strike down the Panthers.

Paulding struggled from the very beginning with holding back the Rams. The first half ended with Paulding behind 10-27.

The second half didn't go much better, but the Lady Panthers were able to keep off Tinora from scoring quite so many as in the other periods.

Final score on the game was 19-44.

With only 3 baskets of 20 attempts on 2 point shots, it was an off night for the Lady Panthers basketball. There were three - three point baskets made. Free throws were a much better record at over 50%.

Paulding Scorers of the Game:

Sierra McCullough 6, Brooke Combs 5, Jaycie Varner 2, Alesha Simon 2, Suzanne Reinhart 2

Current Records: Paulding 5-8; Tinora 6-8

Score by the Quarter:  
Paulding - 5 5 4 5=19  
Tinora - 11 16 6 11=44

**ANTWERP CRASHES AGAINST EDGERTON GIRLS**

The Lady Bulldogs travelled to Antwerp on Thursday, January 24 during the frigid temperatures of late January. The home basketball team grappled with the Edgerton offense and Antwerp fell 29-44.



Audrie Longardner makes two shots at the line for Antwerp. More pictures at westbendnews.net

**ANTWERP ELEMENTARY SCHOOL 2<sup>nd</sup> NINE WEEKS HONOR ROLL 2013-14 SCHOOL YEAR**

**THIRD GRADE:**

All A's - Zachery Devall, Shaylee Garrett, Lydia Krouse, Ross Lee, Madelyn O'Donnell, Rayni Rister, Hope Roebel, Aerial Snyder

A's & B's - Allison Banks, Taylor Carr, Gavin Clevinger, Katryna Fish, Becca Hathaway, Brooke Hounshell, Hayleigh Jewell, Makenna Lawson, Ethan Lichty, McCartney Lucas, Michael McCreery, Lance McKeever, Lyndsey Miller, Melanie Mills, Parker Moore, Keersten Peters, Ezura Planz, Eli Reinhart, Seth Salinas, Ethan Sanders, Carl Shipman, Laura Wolf, Autumn Zuber

**FOURTH GRADE:**

All A's - Emerson Litzenberg, Gaige McMichael, Emma Shuherk, Ilse Zijlstra

A's & B's - Alex Ade, Mia Altimus, Nathan Dunstan, Kate Farr, Tucker Franklin, Jaidis Getrost, Brady Hatlevig, Grace Jones, Zachary Jones, Morgan Kniceley, Luke Krouse, Jagger Landers, Alexandra Lehman, Shaelin McCrea, Luke McDorman, Jonathan Meyer, Faith Nesleroad, Megan O'Donnell, Allison Reinhart, Kiera Reyes, Samantha Rigsby, Grace Schuette, Lauren Schuller, Bradley Shroades, Kennedy Trabel, Austin Wade, Trinity Wieland, Caleb Wilson

**FIFTH GRADE:**

All A's - Morgan Boesch, Maycee Contreras, Carmen Cruz, Kadi Donat, Austin Lichty, Logan McKeever, Laura Miller, Katie Oberlin, Molly Reinhart, Madison Ruen, Emily Sanders, Eric Thornell, Grace Tuttle

A's & B's - Mady Bauer, Rylan Brooks, Heaven Bruce, Johnathon Buehrer, Jordan Buerkle, Lydia Butzin, Halie Davis, Landon Dockery, Mallory Ehrhart, Jason Geyer, Aaron Hawley, Dylan Hines, Aara Humes, Zachary Laughlin, Patrick Meyer, Chet Miller, Eli Molitor, Siera Octaviano, Landyn Reyes

**PAULDING WRESTLING TEAM HOSTS TRI-MEET**



Panther Kage Seals crowned winner as he pinned Brandon Patterson at the Paulding Wrestling Tri-match on Tuesday, January 21. More pictures at westbendnews.net

The Paulding Panther wrestling team hosted a Tri-meet with Ottawa-Glandorf and Spencerville on Tuesday, January 21. The Panthers defeated Ottawa-Glandorf with a score of 56-18.

Those wrestling for the Panthers:

Salinas 106# win 10-8; Seals 113# win pin 2:55; Minck 120# win pin 1:00;

Gamble win pin 1:58; T. Deatruck win pin :22; Mercer 138# win void; Wesley 145# win pin 1:26;

Mock 152# win tech fall; A. Deatruck 170# win void;

Jarrell 182# lost 6-9; Valdez 195# lost 6-7; C. Nichols 220# win void;

Rameriz 283# lost pin. The Panthers also defeated conference rivals Spencerville 44-30.

Wrestling for the Panthers:

Salinas 106# win void; Seals 113# win pin 1:11; Minck 120# decision 14-8;

Gamble 126# lost pin; T. Deatruck 132# win pin 3:40;

Mercer 138# lost pin; Wesley 145# win 4-0; Mock 152# win 19-7;

A. Deatruck 170# win pin :20; Jarrell 182# win tech fall 17-0;

Valdez 195# win pin :12; C. Nichols 220# lost pin; Rameriz 285# lost pin

"The team did an excel-

lent job," stated coach Tony Gonzales.

**CORRECTION**

In the Archbold Wrestling Duals article published last week in the West Bend News, an error in stats occurred.

106 - Sidney Salinas had 2 wins (by pin) and 3 voids

We apologize for this oversight and for any inconveniences it may have caused.

—WBN editors

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## OHIO MUZZLELOADER HUNTERS BAG MORE THAN 16,000 DEER

Ohio hunters braved record-setting cold temperatures and howling winds to harvest 16,464 white-tailed deer during the state's four-day muzzleloader season, January 4-7, according to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR).

The extreme cold that moved across the state during the final two days of the season did not deter some hunters as more than 3,800 deer were checked on Monday and Tuesday.

Counties reporting the highest number of deer checked during the 2014 muzzleloader season include: Guernsey (652), Coshocton (630), Muskingum (593), Tuscarawas (592), Belmont (561), Harrison (513), Licking (511), Athens (485), Jefferson (472) and Carroll (458).

Muzzleloaders are traditional hunting implements that emphasize accuracy and the value of the first shot. The popularity of muzzleloading rifles for hunting and target shooting continues to grow. Types of muzzleloaders include flintlock, percussion cap, in-line percussion and muzzle-loading shotgun. Hunting is the best and most effective management tool for maintaining Ohio's healthy deer population. Hunters have harvested more than 185,000 deer so far in the 2013-2014 hunting seasons. Ohio's deer-archery season is open through Sunday, February 2.

The ODNR Division of Wildlife remains committed to properly managing Ohio's deer populations through a combination of regulatory and programmatic changes. The goal of Ohio's Deer Management Program is to provide a deer population that maximizes recreational opportunities, while minimizing conflicts with landowners and motorists. This ensures that Ohio's deer herd is maintained at a

level that is both acceptable to most, and biologically sound.

Until recently, the populations in nearly all of Ohio's counties were well above their target numbers. In the last few years, through increased harvests, dramatic strides have been made in many counties to bring those populations closer toward their goal. Once a county's deer population is near goal, harvest regulations are adjusted to maintain the population near that goal.

More information about Ohio deer hunting can be found in the 2013-2014 Ohio Hunting and Trapping Regulations or at wildohio.com.

Hunters who received a 2013-2014 Ohio deer hunter effort and harvest survey are encouraged to complete it when the season ends. This survey is an important tool in Ohio's deer management program, and information provided in the survey is vital for establishing deer hunting regulations. The survey is conducted with a random sampling of hunters to help eliminate bias.

### PAULDING COUNTY AGRONOMY DAY SET

The Ohio State University Extension Office in Paulding County will be hosting their annual Agronomy Day on Thursday, January 30, 2014 from 8:30 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. Topics for the Day will include: Stepping up Soybean Production: Seed Treatments and Everything but the Kitchen Sink, by Laura Lindsey, OSU Small Grains and Soybean Specialist; Are You and Your Heirs Ready to Continue the Farm Business, David Marrison, Associate Professor OSU; Use of Poultry, Swine and Dairy Manure with Crops in Northwest Ohio, Glen Arnold OSUE State Specialist; Manure Management; Cover Crops - How does it relate to Soil Conservation and Water Quality, Jim Hoorman Associate Professor OSU.

Over 20 booths will be set up for producers to view from 8:30-9:30 a.m. and over the lunch hour. Speakers will begin at 9:30 a.m. Certified Crop Advisor credits are available for the day. For more information contact Sarah Noggle, OSU Extension Paulding County at 419.399.8225 extension 25 or by email at noggle.17@osu.edu. Registration is also available online at www.paulding.osu.edu under the Agriculture and Natural Resources tab.

### ARCHERS SCORE WIN FROM ACES

The Antwerp Archers invaded Aces territory on Monday evening, January 21st for some high school boys basketball.

The game was a close one all the way, but in the end the Archers took the win back home: 64-58.

Score by the Quarter:  
Hicksville - 16 10 21 11=58

Antwerp - 19 14 17 14=64

Scorers of the Game:  
Hicksville - Kinn 4, Crall 12, Jasso 3, Giesige 20, Neidhardt 19

Antwerp - Brumett 19, Smalley 9, Stout 2, Williamson 3, G Jones 2, Copsey 24, Messman 5

Antwerp JV also won: 29-27

### LADY WARRIORS OUT-PLAYED BY CADETS

By: Jeff Abbott

Concordia out-scored, out-hustled, and out-played Woodlan to a 70-31 trashing of the Warriors in girls' basketball. The Cadets out-scored Woodlan 22-7 in the first period and led 37-11 at the half. Concordia had 3 players hit double figures in scoring with Brooke Gerbers the lone double figure scorer for Woodlan with 12 points.

Score by the Quarter:  
Woodlan - 7 4 6 14=31

Concordia - 22 15 19 14=70

Scorers of the Game:

Woodlan - Gerbers 12, Salzbrenner 6, Hinton 5, Hostetler 4, Summers 2, Cook 2

Concordia - Smith 15, Young 15, Kelly 10, Kammeyer 8, Adair 7, Sparks 7, Macke 4, Speckhard 4

### STRONG WIN FOR WARRIORS OVER PANTHERS

By: Jeff Abbott

Woodlan came back with a strong fourth quarter to take a 52-49 win over Prairie Heights in boys' basketball. Woodlan trailed 17-9 after the first period and 32-21 at the half. The two teams played even in the third period before Woodlan's offense found the range, getting 21 points while the defense stepped up to limit the Panthers to 7 points. Kadin Gerig led scoring for the Warriors with 15 points and Caleb Stieglitz added 11 points.

Score by the Quarter:  
Woodlan - 9 12 10 21=52

Prairie Heights - 17 15 10 7=49

Scorers of the Game:

Woodlan - Gerig 15, Stieglitz 11, White 7, Bennett 7, O'Hara 5, Jones 3, Loudon 2, Gustin 2

Prairie Heights - Heller 13, Shephard 11, West 10, Johnson 5, Stayner 4, Bachelor 4, Tuckerman 2

## WARRIORS DOWN THE EAGLES IN BOYS HS BASKETBALL

By: Jeff Abbott

Woodlan took a slim lead to the second quarter and then flew away from the Eagles with an 18-7 quarter and go on to get a 71-52 win over Churubusco in boys' basketball. Five Woodlan players scored in the second period, led by Kadin Gerig with 7 points. The Warriors had 3 players hit double figures in scoring with Gerig getting 21 points including 4 three-pointers.

Score by the Quarter:  
Churubusco - 13 7 16 16=52

Woodlan - 15 18 20 18=71

Scorers of the Game:

Churubusco - Campbell 13, Gross 12, B Simmons 9, G Simmons 8, Lillmars 6, Buffenbarger 3, Turnbow 1

Woodlan - Gerig 21, Bennett 16, White 15, Jones 8, Loudon 5, Stieglitz 4, Gustin 2

### DIVINE MERCY CATHOLIC SCHOOL 2<sup>ND</sup> NINE WEEKS HONOR ROLL 2013-14 SCHOOL YEAR

#### FOURTH GRADE:

Cameron Graham, Ethan Noggle, Leslie Pollock, Kaden Recker, Kenna-di Recker, Ryan Rupp, Molli Shepherd, Claire Schweller

#### FIFTH GRADE:

Treyton Banks, Cameron Cox, Kenadie Daeger, Allison Dyson, Jacob Graham, Carson Rupp, Kaden Sutton, Garrett Williamson, Grady Vogel

#### SIXTH GRADE:

Alex Reinhart, Catie Strable

### WT GROVER HILL ELEMENTARY 2<sup>ND</sup> NINE WEEKS HONOR ROLL 2013-14 SCHOOL YEAR

#### ALL A's:

1A - Ryan Bostelman, Jarrett Jewel, Corbin Kimmel, Eli Martinez, Anna Meraz, Brady Miller, Mackenzie Silence, Lorie Sinn, Ava Stoller, Kathleen Stoller, Natalie Stoller, Trent Thornell

1B - Ciarra Cotterman, Morgan Elliott, Nevaeh Jackson, Blake Osborn, Amos Sinn, Nicholas Sinn, Tori Young

2B - Libby Meraz, Taylor Sherry, Kyle Stoller, Evan Walls, Laryssa Whitman

3A - Macy Doster, Hannah Maenle, Anna Miller, Rylee Miller, Sydnee Sinn, Laura Thornell

3B - Elise Miller, Blake Stoller, Kara Stoller

4A - Claudia Sinn, Nathan Sinn, Abbie Stoller

4B - Faith Meraz, Brayson Parrish

5B - Wyatt Shelton, Tiffany Sinn, Katie Stoller, Katrina Stoller, Lydia Whitman

6A - Andrew Sinn, Miriam Sinn

6B - Reid Miller

ALL A's & B's:

1A - Haylee Bland, Tiana Sinn

1B - Asa Ames, Rylee Baker, Jessica Banks, Kaleb Lands, Kennedy Parsons, Trenitie Ream, Devan Sherry

2A - Citlali Aguilar, Tucker Antoine, Harley Halliwill, Kaden Landwehr, Cassidy Lewis, Olivia Longstreth, Caleb Mosier, Nathaniel Osborn, Brooks Sensibaugh

2B - Kyla Hurd, Hayden

## COURTNEY LUDERMAN WINS PEVS GEOGRAPHIC BEE



Shown in the photo above are all district participants: Sadie Estle, 5<sup>th</sup> grade, Oakwood Elementary; Michael Kohart, 8<sup>th</sup> grade, Paulding Middle School; Baylee March, 5<sup>th</sup> grade, Paulding Elementary; Jaden Verfaillie, 6<sup>th</sup> grade, Paulding Elementary; Brendan Hornish, 5<sup>th</sup> grade Oakwood Elementary and runner-up; WINNER Courtney Luderman, 7<sup>th</sup> grade, Paulding Middle School; Megan Dearth, 5<sup>th</sup> grade, Oakwood Elementary; Erika Dobbelaere, 4<sup>th</sup> grade, Oakwood Elementary; Olivia Paschall, 4<sup>th</sup> grade, Paulding Elementary, and Claire McClure, 6<sup>th</sup> grade Oakwood Elementary.

Students from Oakwood Elementary, Paulding Elementary, and Paulding Middle School competed in the district level of the National Geographic Bee Finals on January 21, 2014. Courtney Luderman will advance to the next level of the competition, a written examination. She will move one step closer to a

\$50,000.00 scholarship, plus a trip to the Galapagos Islands. Courtney is the daughter of Randy and Michelle Luderman, and a 7<sup>th</sup> grader at Paulding Middle School. Brendan Hornish, a 5<sup>th</sup> grader attending Oakwood Elementary School, was the district runner-up.

Manson, Logan Miller, David Puckett, Kenzie Schaffner, Nolan Walls, Trista Whitman

3A - Chloe Beining, Kaden Colley, Makenna Elliott, Cole Fisher

3B - Ava Dougal, Matthew Kline, Ariel Landwehr, Kristin McDonald, Abby Moore, Josh Shelton, Ezra Sinn

4A - Katelyn Bergman, Haylee Finrock, Cameron Sinn, Rachel Stoller, Lauren Walls, Landyn Whitman

4B - Madison Farquhar, Allen Minck, Karlie Simendinger, Trevor Sinn, Eli Spinner, Tatum Tigner

5B - Lauren Barnett, Natalie Bostelman, Cara Davis, Alena Denny, Gabby Donis, Serenity Gurtner, Lyrissa Hammons, Devin Nichols, Isaiah Rittenhouse, Julie Sinn

6A - Nicholas Bostelman, Mason Elliott, Kirsten Lewis, Claire Sinn

6B - Worth Clark, Madison Elston, Lexy Gibson, Fred Hoagland, Breanna Huffine, Jacob Hull, Krista Markley, Ashlynn Parrish, Amanda Wharry

### THE PRESCHOOL DEBATE IN INDIANA

The Kruse Report by: IN State Sen. Dennis Kruse (R-Auburn)

What role should our government play in the financial support of pre-kindergarten programs?

Currently, Indiana and the federal government spend \$277 million a year on early childhood development programs in our state, including the Child Care Development Fund and Head Start. Additionally, during the 2013 legislative session, lawmakers included \$4 million in the budget for a preschool pilot program that provides money to certain preschools if they receive matching grants from a non-government entity.

This year, a new preschool proposal is making its way through the General Assembly. House Bill 1004 would establish a pilot program in up to five counties to provide scholarships

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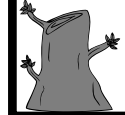


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**SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE**

General Code, Section 11681  
Revised Code, Section 2329.26  
**THE STATE OF OHIO, PAULDING COUNTY:**  
**THE HUNTINGTON NATIONAL BANK, Plaintiff,**  
**vs.**  
**WILLIAM E. PLOTTS, ET AL., Defendants,**

Case No. CI 13 018.  
Pursuant to an Order of Sale in the above entitled action, I will offer for sale at public auction, at the East door of the Courthouse in the Village of Paulding, in the above named County, on Thursday, the Sixth day of March, 2014 at 10:15 o'clock A.M., the real estate located at:

**18811 Road 85, Cecil, Ohio 45821**  
Parcel Number: 14-05S-024-00

Said premises appraised at Fifty-four Thousand and No/100 (\$54,000.00) Dollars and cannot be sold for less than two-thirds of that amount.

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**TERMS OF SALE:** Ten percent down on day of the sale and balance before deed is to be issued.

Sheriff Jason K. Landers  
Paulding County, Ohio  
pauldinhosheriff.com  
Robert H. Young, Attorney for Plaintiff

**SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE**

General Code, Section 11681  
Revised Code, Section 2329.26  
**THE STATE OF OHIO, PAULDING COUNTY:**  
**FIFTH THIRD MORTGAGE COMPANY, Plaintiff,**  
**vs.**  
**CHAD W. RILEY, ET AL., Defendants,**

Case No. CI 13 124.  
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Sheriff Jason K. Landers  
Paulding County, Ohio  
pauldinhosheriff.com  
Thomas D. Richards, Attorney for Plaintiff

**SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE**

General Code, Section 11681  
Revised Code, Section 2329.26  
**THE STATE OF OHIO, PAULDING COUNTY:**  
**PAULDING COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, Plaintiff,**  
**vs.**  
**TDM3, LTD, ET AL., Defendants,**

Case No. CI 13 151.  
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**Village of Antwerp, School Hill Addition, Lots 16, 17, 41, 42, 43 and 44**  
Parcel Numbers: 12-28S-025-01; 12-28S-046-00; 12-04S-043-00; 12-04S-044-00; 12-04S-046-00; and 12-04S-042-00

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Joseph R. Burkard, Prosecuting Attorney

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Antwerp Village:  
1/17/14; Dana S. Sosbe, dec'd; Lot 52; School Addition; 0.28 acre; To: Alice K. Sosbe, et al  
1/17/14; Alice K. Sosbe, et al; Lot 52; School Addition; 0.28; To: Ronald W. & Percilla A Smith  
1/17/14; Pauline P. Jordan, dec'd; Sec 27; pt NW FR¼ outlots S-27; 0.236 acre; To: Stanley W. Jordan  
Grover Hill Village:  
1/15/14; Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation; Lots 1 & 8; W½ & E½; Lot 1 W½ & E½ Lot 8; 0.40 acre; To: J. & K. Rental  
Melrose Village:  
1/14/14; Terrill S. Landers, dec'd; Sec 12-15; lots 12-15; Shirley's Addition; 8.688 acres; To: Sonya K. Landers  
Oakwood Village:  
1/13/14; Twin Oaks U.M. Church, et al; Lot 8; Cooper's Parcels; 0.27; Lot 6; less N 20' Cooper's Parcels; 0.20 acre; Lot 93; N½ less 2' SS; 0.10 acre; Lot 92; N½ less 2' SS 0.097 acre; Lot 92; S½ & 2' SS N½ o.p. 0.103 acre; Lot 123; S 53'; 0.161 acre; Lot 121; E½; 0.100 acre; Lot 120; E½ o.p. 0.100 acre; Lots 6-7; 20' NS Lot 6-7 Cooper's Parcels; 0.200 acres; Lots 122; o.p. 0.21'; Lot 123; N 13; 0.211; Lot 26; Floyd Burt Addition; 0.200 acre; Lot 31; Floyd Burt Addition; 0.20; Lot 95; o.p. 0.20 acre; Lot 94 o.p. 0.20 acre; To: Twin Oaks U.M. Church  
Paulding Village:  
1/17/14; Thomas P. & Jane K. Melchor, et al; Lot 56; E 74'; Lot 41; E 74' & S½ alley; 0.24 acre; To: Megan M. Clark, et al  
1/21/14; Josephine R. Reyes, dec'd; Lots 2 & 3; less 49' off E end; 0.24 acre; To: Megan M. Clark, et al  
1/22/14; Lenny S. Smith; Lot 13; N 50' & pcl W of lot 13N 50'; Lot 14; S 50' Noneman's Emerald Acres Allotment; 1.07 acre; To: Brandon N. Smith  
Payne Village:  
1/13/14; A. Leon & Gladys Adamski; Lot 56; S½ less 2.5 x 72.6' Gibson's Sub-division; 0.272 acre; To: Anthony L. & Gladys Adamski

**THE WEST BEND NEWS**  
**Sudoku Puzzle**

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**WHAT SHOULD I DO?**

This notice is to inform you that Antwerp Village Water did not monitor and report results for the presence of the contaminants listed above in the public drinking water system during 2013 annual time period, as required by the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency. You do not need to take any actions in response to this notice.

**WHAT IS BEING DONE?**

Upon being notified of this violation, the water supply was required to have the drinking water analyzed for the above mentioned parameters. The water supplies will take steps to ensure that adequate monitoring will be performed in the future.

For more information, please contact: Sara Keeran, at 419-258-2371 or PO Box 1046, Antwerp, Ohio 45813

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**SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE**

General Code, Section 11681  
Revised Code, Section 2329.26  
**THE STATE OF OHIO, PAULDING COUNTY:**  
**BMO HARRIS BANK, N.A., SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO M & I BANK, FSB, Plaintiff,**  
**vs.**  
**VIRGIL C. ROGERS, ET AL., Defendants,**

Case No. CI 13 123.  
Pursuant to an Order of Sale in the above entitled action, I will offer for sale at public auction, at the East door of the Courthouse in the Village of Paulding, in the above named County, on Thursday, the Sixth day of March, 2014 at 10:10 o'clock A.M., the real estate located at:

**403 West Jackson Street, Grover Hill, Ohio 45849**  
Parcel Number: 26-03S-034-00 and 26-03S-035-00

Said premises appraised at Forty-two Thousand and No/100 (\$42,000.00) Dollars and cannot be sold for less than two-thirds of that amount.

The appraisal of this property was completed without an interior inspection. Neither the Sheriff's Office nor the appraisers are responsible for the condition of the property at the time the purchaser takes possession.

**TERMS OF SALE:** Ten percent down on day of the sale and balance before deed is to be issued.

Sheriff Jason K. Landers  
Paulding County, Ohio  
pauldinhosheriff.com  
Robert J. Olender, Attorney for Plaintiff

**PAULDING COUNTY COURT REPORTS**

**Criminal Disposition Report**

James R. Shugars; Antwerp; Assault; Guilty; pay all fines & costs; probation; community service; comoplete "Thinking for A Change" program; submit to an anger management evaluation at Westwood; no contact w/victims or residence  
Timothy M. Miller; Paulding; Trespassing; J-No Count; pay all fines & costs; make restitution to victim through the court; probation; no contact w/victim; community service; submit evaluation to Westwood Behavioral  
Nicholas R. Traxler; Cecil; Count A & B; Confine of Dog; J-Guilty; pay all fines & costs  
Matthew M. Krill; Paulding; Count A; Confine of Dog; J-No Count; pay all fines & costs; Count B; Fail Reg. Dog; No Count; must register the dogs by end of January or the suspended cost of \$75 will be reimposed & defendant will pay in full  
Scott Collins; Address Unknown; Sex Offend Regi; Prel-Waive; defendant has been indicted by the Court of Common Pleas; case shall be bound over to the Court of Common Pleas  
Aaron S. McMillan; Scott; Possession Drug; Prel-Waive; defendant has been indicted by the Court of Common Pleas; case shall be bound over to the Court of Common Pleas  
Jennifer L. McMillian; Scott; Possession Drug; Prel-Waive; defendant has been indicted by the Court of Common Pleas; case shall be bound over to the Court of Common Pleas  
Charles Potts; Oakwood; Count A; Doc w/Persist; Guilty; pay all fines & costs; probation 2 years; shall have no contact w/victims; complete "The Ridge Project" or "Thinking for A Change"; community service; Count B; Doc w/Persist; Guilty; same conditions as Count A  
Tomas R. Walters; Attempted Theft; Guilty; pay all fines & costs; repay court appointed counsel fees; probation 2 years; community service; have no contact w/co-defendant; may retrieve personal property per 50  
Jacob William Neace; Hicksville; Confine of Dog; Guilty; case waived by defendant

**Property Transfers**

Auglaize Twp.:  
1/15/14; Paulding Leasing LLC; Lot 31; pt SW¼; 0.408 acre; Lot 36; pt SE¼; 9.750 acres; To: Samuel B. & Shelby J. Manz  
1/22/14; Paula A. & Francine Lee Meyer; Lot 21; pt NE¼ & pt NE¼; 11.098 acres; To: Marshall Ray Makin  
Benton Twp.:  
1/21/14; Lorrrie R. Watkins; Sec 29; pt N½ NW; 6.246 acres; Kenneth M. Gordon  
1/21/14; Marietta Riley, dec'd; Sec 10; pt NW¼ NW¼; 2.50 acre; To: Carl L. Riley  
Blue Creek Twp.:  
1/13/14; Juanita L. Hotmire; Sec 18; pt SE cor SE¼ SE¼ & SE corner SE¼; 15.0 acres; Sec 18; E½ NW¼ SE¼ & pt E¼ SE¼ & pt E½ W½ SE¼; 92.48 acres; To: Jesse A. Hotmire, Trustee, et al  
Brown Twp.:  
1/10/14; Christopher L. Recker; Lot 8; Lot #8 Coder Parcels; 1.36 acre; To: Christopher L. Recker, Trustee  
1/10/14; Robert Leo Brown Jr. & C. Rainell Koenn, Co-Trustees; Sec 1; pt NW¼ 13.018 acres; To: Robb Weisenburger  
Carryall Twp.:  
1/21/14; John A. Meyer, et al, LE, dec'd; Sec 11; S½ NW¼ less 1 acre; 80.19 acres; To: Sara A. Green, et al  
Crane Twp.:  
1/9/14; Terry Speiser; Sec 4; pt SE¼; 1.317 acre; To: Danette S. Adams  
1/16/14; Randal L. & Debra M. Grimes; Sec 22; pt NW¼ NE¼ of canal; 1.95 acre; To: Billy J. & Kathy A. Kuckkuck  
1/17/14; Michael D. & Jenese J. Morton; Lot 26; pt NE¼; 3.38 acres; To: Randal L. & Debra M. Grimes  
Emerald Twp.:  
1/17/14; Clair L. Paxton, dec'd, LE, et al; Sec 3; pt SE¼; 120.45 acres; Sec 23; pt NW¼; 160.0; Ronald L. Paxton  
1/22/14; Debra A. Muck; Sec 16; pt NW¼; 4.006 acres; To: Angela M. Bennett  
Harrison Twp.:  
1/13/14; Lynn P. Wells III; Sec 18; pt W½ SW¼; 1.00 acre; To: Bank of Amer-

**SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE**

General Code, Section 11681  
Revised Code, Section 2329.26  
**THE STATE OF OHIO, PAULDING COUNTY:**  
**FIFTH THIRD MORTGAGE COMPANY, Plaintiff,**  
**vs.**  
**MELISSA M. EGNOR, ET AL., Defendants,**

Case No. CI 13 186.  
Pursuant to an Order of Sale in the above entitled action, I will offer for sale at public auction, at the East door of the Courthouse in the Village of Paulding, in the above named County, on Thursday, the Sixth day of March, 2014 at 10:05 o'clock A.M., the real estate located at:

**9804 State Route 613, Paulding, Ohio 45879**  
Parcel Number: 28-33S-103-00

Said premises appraised at Sixty-nine Thousand and No/100 (\$69,000.00) Dollars and cannot be sold for less than two-thirds of that amount.

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Paulding County, Ohio  
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Andrew C. Clark, Attorney for Plaintiff

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for low-income children to attend preschool. The bill passed the House of Representatives by a vote of 87-9 and now moves to the Senate for further consideration.

The goal of HB 1004 is to help low-income children attend preschool. Some studies indicate these children do statistically worse in school due to their limited means. This scholarship is aimed at helping students overcome this disadvantage by giving them a jump start in their education. The concept is worthy, but we have to find a way to fund these programs.

The bill is estimated to cost up to \$30 million per year depending on how many children sign up.

Some of my Senate colleagues and I are hesitant to commit significant new dollars to pre-kindergarten programs in a non-budget year, especially since Indiana is still analyzing the impact of existing programs.

As the proposal comes over to the Senate, these are the principles I believe any new program must follow:

- It must be voluntary to maximize family choice, so parents can decide on the

best learning environment for their kids.

- The cost of the program must not undermine Indiana's track record of balanced budgets and fiscal responsibility.

This issue calls for extensive public input and over the years, we have seen many people and organizations voice their opinions on both sides of the debate.

Those in favor argue that children who attend quality preschool programs are more successful in their school careers than students who don't. Those against suggest the benefits aren't conclusive or that the advantages for students who attended preschool may lessen as they progress through school.

In my opinion, early childhood education begins at home. A child learns more between birth and age two than during any other period of life, which makes parents or guardians among the most important educators.

As HB 1004 moves through the legislative process, please contact my office if you have any comments or questions.

What do you think?

**WAYNE TRACE ANNOUNCES TEACHERS OF THE QUARTER**



Wayne Trace Jr/Sr High School recently named their Teachers of the Quarter. Mr. Zach Boyer, (pictured third from the left) is a first year Intervention Specialist. Zach is a native of Cincinnati, and a graduate of Miami of Ohio University. Zach received a \$25 gas card compliments of N&N Quick Stop, and a Raider Pride t-shirt as part of his award.

Miss Kara Thomas, (pictured fourth from the left) a first year member of the English Department, and native of Van Wert, as well as being a graduate of Bowling Green State University was also named Teacher of the Quarter. She received a \$25 Gift Certificate, compliments of Frickers in Van Wert, and a Raider Pride t-shirt as part of her award.

**PEVS BREAKFAST & LUNCH MENUS 1/29 - 2/4**

*JH/HS - Breakfast:*  
 1/29 - Grab & Go breakfast, fruit/juice, milk  
 1/30 - Mini pancakes, sausage links, fruit/juice, milk  
 1/31 - Sausage gravy w/ biscuits, fruit/juice, milk  
 2/3 - Breakfast pizza, fruit/juice, milk  
 2/4 - Bagel w/yogurt or string cheese, fruit/juice, milk  
*JH/HS - Lunch:*  
 1/29 - Pizza sticks w/marinara, green beans or Top Your Own Philly, whole grain chips, assorted fruit, milk  
 1/30 - General Tso chicken bowl, egg roll or BD pizza slice, baby carrots, fruit, milk

1/31 - Chili dog on bun, baked beans, oven potatoes or Salad bar, bread stick, fruit, milk  
 2/3 - Popcorn chicken bowl, dinner roll or Salad bar, bread stick, fruit, milk  
 2/4 - Southwest chicken salad, bread stick, fruit churro or Sandwich w/bun, oven fries, fruit, milk  
*Paulding Elementary - Breakfast:*  
 1/29 - Burrito, juice/fruit, milk  
 1/30 - Muffin, string cheese, fruit/juice, milk  
 1/31 - Cereal or cereal bar, juice/fruit, milk  
 2/3 - Yogurt, goldfish grahams, juice/fruit, milk  
 2/4 - Pancakes fruit/juice, milk  
*Paulding Elementary*

*- Lunch:*  
 1/29 - Pancakes w/sausage, oven potatoes, tomato juice, or Corn dog, fruit, milk  
 1/30 - Chicken nuggets, whipped potatoes w/gravy, corn, bread or Peanut butter & jelly, gogurt/crackers, fruit, milk  
 1/31 - Fish on bun, broccoli w/cheese, fresh veggie choice or Peanut butter & jelly, gogurt/crackers, fruit, milk  
 2/3 - Chicken on whole grain bun, carrots, fresh veggie choice or Peanut butter & jelly, gogurt/crackers, fruit, milk  
 2/4 - Corn dog, baked beans, fresh veggie choice, fruit snack or Peanut butter & jelly, gogurt/crackers, fruit, milk  
*Oakwood Elementary - Breakfast:*  
 1/29 - Warm cinnamon roll, fruit, milk  
 1/30 - Egg & sausage burrito, fruit, milk  
 1/31 - Assorted cereals, fruit, milk  
 2/3 - Powdered donut, fruit, milk  
 2/4 - Biscuit, egg, fruit, milk  
*Oakwood Elementary - Lunch:*  
 1/29 - Pepperoni cheese bread stick, marinara sauce, green beans, fruit, milk  
 1/30 - Popcorn chicken, whipped potatoes, gravy, bread, lettuce salad, fruit, milk  
 1/31 - Taco wrap, lettuce, refried beans, fruit, milk  
 2/3 - Hot dog, bun, corn, celery, fruit, milk  
 2/4 - Breaded chicken, bun, peas, carrot sticks, fruit, milk  
*Menus subject to change at any time.*

**ANTWERP LOCAL SCHOOL LUNCH MENUS 1/29 - 2/4**  
 1/29 - Breaded chicken on bun, broccoli w/rice & cheese, mixed fruit, milk; PLUS: Salad bar  
 1/30 - Spaghetti w/meatballs, tossed salad, pears, milk; PLUS: Salad bar  
 1/31 - Hodge podge pizza, celery w/dip, applesauce, milk; PLUS: Salad bar  
 2/3 - Salisbury steak on bun, green beans, pears, milk; PLUS: Salad bar  
 2/4 - Sloppy joe on bun, baked fries, apple, milk; PLUS: Salad bar  
*Menus subject to change at any time.*

**WAYNE TRACE LOCAL SCHOOLS BREAKFAST & LUNCH MENUS 1/29 - 2/4**  
*Breakfast:*  
 1/29 - Mini pancakes, sausage, juice, milk  
 1/30 - Cheese omelet, toast, juice, milk  
 1/31 - Fruit turnover, juice, milk  
 2/3 - Sausage pizza, juice, milk  
 2/4 - Egg/cheese muffin, juice, milk  
*Lunch:*  
 1/29 - Meatball sub, corn, fruit, milk; JH/HS: Chef salad, Pizza sub or BBQ rib on bun w/salad bar  
 1/30 - Chicken fajita w/ lettuce & cheese, black beans, corn, fruit, milk; JH/HS: Chef salad, Pizza sub or Grilled chicken on bun w/salad bar  
 1/31 - Pizza, romaine lettuce salad, fruit, milk; JH/HS: Chef salad, Pizza sub or BBQ rib on bun w/salad bar  
 2/3 - Chicken nuggets, french fries, California blend, fruit, milk; JH/HS: Chef salad, Pizza sub or Grilled chicken on bun w/salad bar  
 2/4 - BBQ pork sandwich, sweet potato fries, fruit, milk; JH/HS: Chef salad, Pizza sub or Grilled chicken on bun w/ salad bar  
*Menus subject to change at any time.*

**NEW STUDENT LEADERSHIP COUNCIL**  
 The New Heights Educational Group is proud to announce a new national Student Leadership Council. For many years we have played pivotal role in offering the Student Advisory Group for ages 7 and up and will continue to offer this program. This will now be offered to students up to the 8<sup>th</sup> grade. All 9<sup>th</sup> grade through college students aged 14-23 will be transferred to the Student Leadership Council. This is open to the public and any student from any state is eligible to participate. All students entering the leadership council must have at least a 3.0 GPA. The council aims to help students build academics, talents, leadership, and community service, along with other skills. The logo and new letterhead for the Student Leadership Council was designed by our volunteer graphic designer Marina Klimi who is from Patras, Greece. She worked closely with Pamela Clark, the Director and Nibu Jacob, Volunteer Assistant and a proofreader from India. All information for this council can be found on our website [www.NewHeightsEducation.org](http://www.NewHeightsEducation.org) or you can call us at 419-786-0247 our email is [NewHeightsEducation@yahoo.com](mailto:NewHeightsEducation@yahoo.com)

**DEADLINE FOR EACS SURVEY IS JANUARY 31<sup>st</sup>**  
 The New Year gives each of us the opportunity for reflection. At East Allen County Schools (EACS), we are very interested in your feedback on how you feel we are performing and serving your needs and the needs of your children. Because your input is vital to us, I am respectfully requesting you take time to reflect on your experience with our schools during the first half of the school year, and share your thoughts with us by completing the survey you can access below. Recently, a committee composed of teachers, parents, administrators, and other school support personnel, met to create a survey to solicit feedback from our stakeholders. We plan to use this survey data to help evaluate our performance and identify areas where we need to improve. As you know, EACS began a new era of leadership over the past year including three new Board Members, a new Board President and Officers, and a new superintendent of schools. Our EACS leadership team will continue to focus on working with EACS staff, parents, students, and community members to provide the best education possible for every student we serve. Your participation in this survey will be anonymous and is key to providing feedback to help guide us as we continue to strive to make EACS the premier school district in Northeast Indiana. To take the survey, simply click on the button below. The survey will be available through Friday January 31. Dream It. Do It.  
 —Ken Folks,  
 Superintendent of Schools  
[www.newhavenbulletin.com](http://www.newhavenbulletin.com)

**THOMAS J. FELTS ANNOUNCES CANDIDACY FOR RE-ELECTION AS ALLEN CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE**  
 Thomas J. Felts has announced his intention to file his Declaration of Candidacy with the Indiana Election Division to officially become a candidate for the Republican nomination for Allen Circuit Court Judge. "I am very proud of my record and the record of the Allen Circuit Court over the past 12 years. I am proud of my record of fiscal conservatism, innovation, efficiency, and leadership," stated Judge Felts. "I look forward to the opportunity to build on the strong foundation of my previous 12 years as we face the many challenges ahead." Judge Felts was elected to the Circuit Court bench in November, 2002, having previously served as Magistrate of the Allen Circuit Court since October, 1989. He is a 1976 graduate of the University of Notre Dame and a 1979 graduate of Indiana University-Bloomington School of Law. He is married to Kathryn Felts and has three sons. Long active in state and local affairs, Judge Felts is the Vice-Chair of the Allen County Community Corrections Board of Directors and currently holds leadership positions on the Boards of the Indiana Judicial Conference and the Indiana Judges Association, along with being a member of the Indiana Commission on Courts and several committees of the Indiana State Bar Association. He also serves on the Indiana Supreme Court's Strategic Planning and Judicial Education Committees as well as on the Board of Directors of the Foellinger Foundation and the Allen County Courthouse Preservation Trust. Contact Information: David A. Bobilya at 260-436-7100. [www.newhavenbulletin.com](http://www.newhavenbulletin.com)

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#1617 - 602 Emerald Rd., Pldg - Previously Doctor's Office. Seller has retired & SAYS SELL!!!! \$35,000 - Call Don 419-399-7699

#1606 - N of Ant at 14774 SR 49 - 5.135+- acres, 32'x40' barn, 8 grain bins ranging from 20x36 to 22x48. Immediate Possession. Call Don Gorrell 419-399-7699

### DEFIANCE COLLEGE TO HOST NORTHWEST OHIO SCIENCE OLYMPIAD

On Saturday, March 1, more than 500 students in grades six through 12 will travel to Defiance College to take part in the Northwest Ohio Science Olympiad. This will be DC's second year hosting the event, where teams of students compete in science-related challenges.

Defiance College is calling on students, faculty, alumni and members of the Defiance community to assist in this competition. Volunteers with expertise in the sciences are greatly needed in a wide range of scientific topics: earth and space sciences, chemistry, technology and engineering, and general science areas as well as volunteers to help with general activities associated with running the program.

"It is a privilege for Defiance College to host this tournament and a great opportunity to introduce hundreds of young people to our great campus and science program," said Lorie Rath, director of alumni affairs. "Plus, it's a lot of fun to see the excitement and competitive spirit that science is generating in these students."

The event will be held from 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. at various locations on the DC campus. Lunch and a t-shirt will be provided for all volunteers. To assist with the Science Olympiad tournament or to get more information about the event, contact Steffanie Brumett at 419-783-2572 or sbrumett@defiance.edu.

### NATIONAL SCHOOL CHOICE WEEK RECOGNIZED IN DEFIANCE

The New Heights Educational Group is holding a coffee house discussion to recognize National School Choice Week in Defiance, OH. School choice supporters in Defiance will gather on Saturday, February 1, 2014 from 5:00-7:00 p.m. for a special Coffee House Discussion to raise awareness of the importance of educational options for children and families in Ohio. The event is planned by New Heights Educational Group and will be held at the Cabin Fever Coffee House and is timed to coordinate with National School Choice Week.

National School Choice Week 2014 will be the largest celebration of educational opportunity in US history. In addition to this event in DEFIANCE, there will be an additional 5,500 events taking place across the country.

This event is open to students, parents, teachers and concerned citizens. Speakers include Pamela Clark Founder/Director of the New Heights Educational Group; and Kathy Bergman Board Member of NHEG, Teacher/RN/ Toastmaster.

For more information about this event, visit <http://www.NewHeightsEducation.org>

### WOODBURN CITY COUNCIL MEETING NOTES 1/13/14

Meeting Minutes from January 13, 2014.

Attendance: Mayor Hoepfner, Councilman Rice, Renner, Gerig & Voirol, Treasurer Sarrazine, Chief Duhamell and Superintendent Walls. (Councilman Abbott absent)

#### POLICE REPORT:

The Woodburn Police Department responded to 63 calls for service in December 2013. WPD reserves provided approximately 849 hours of service for 2013. The reserves will be moving the Front Street Drags from October to earlier in the year, date to be determined.

#### AUDIENCE:

North American Cold Storage intro-

### Sudoku solution from page 13

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### PUBLIC NOTICE

THE ANNUAL 2013 YEAR END FINANCIAL REPORT IS COMPLETE FOR THE VILLAGE OF ANTWERP AND AVAILABLE AT THE OFFICE OF THE FISCAL OFFICER, 118 N. MAIN STREET

—Loretta Baker, 419-258-2241

Fiscal Officer Village of Antwerp

### PUBLIC NOTICE

The Village of Cecil has completed their 2013 Annual Financial Report and it is now available for viewing. To view a copy of this report, please contact Carlene Turner, Clerk-Treasurer at 419-399-3166 to schedule an appointment.

The Village of Cecil meets on the 3rd Monday of Each Month at 7pm in the Cecil Firehouse Community room for their Regular Council Meeting. The public and residents of Cecil are encouraged to attend.

—Submitted by: Carlene Turner, Clerk Treasurer

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duced themselves to the council. Plans are still on track to start construction in the spring in the shovel ready Woodburn Industrial Park.

#### MAYOR:

Wessler Engineering was in today in regards to a grant that may be available to the city. It is a matching grant dollar for dollar. The Main Street committee is asking for volunteers for the Pancake Breakfast on February 2<sup>nd</sup> from 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. February 1<sup>st</sup> starts the Groundhog festivities. Come out and volunteer or enjoy pancakes. March 8<sup>th</sup> is set for a trivia contest.

#### TREASURER:

Meeting minutes were read from the December 30 2013 meeting. Councilman Rice made a motion to approve, Councilman Voirol 2nd all approved, motion carried. Warrants were presented and discussed, Councilman Gerig made a motion to approve, Councilman Voirol 2nd all approved, motion carried. Resolution 14-197 was presented and read. Councilman Renner made a motion to approve, Councilman Gerig 2nd all approved, motion carried. Treasurer reported that the sewer department has consistently lost money since 2010 and requested that Umbaugh do a sewer rate study. The cost would be between \$5,000-\$6,000. Councilman Voirol made a motion to move forward with Umbaugh doing the sewer rate study, Councilman Gerig 2nd all approved, motion carried.

#### SUPERINTENDENT WALLS:

Allen County would like the City to surrender Maumee Center Rd. because they will be relocating it. Ryan to figure out how to proceed since there are city utilities on the old Maumee Center Rd. Superintendent Walls has a meeting set up with IDEM tomorrow. Superintendent Walls notified council that a contractor cut power lines out at the high school and we currently are running with lines above ground. Ryan to assess how much damage was made and who will pick up the tab.

#### COUNCILMAN RICE:

Stated that he thought the utility department did a fantastic job on the street plowing.

#### COUNCILMAN RENNER:

Agreed with Councilman Rice.

#### COUNCILMAN GERIG:

Stated that he would like an article to go into the paper about the trash/recycling. Treasurer Sarrazine has put in several articles. Trash is every Friday in the blue body container and recycling is every other Friday in the green body container. Recyclables include plastic (look for triangle on packaging), paper (news-paper, junk mail, envelopes, catalogues, phone books) cardboard, tin, glass and aluminum. NO PLASTIC BAGS as they get caught up in the gears. A full listing is on the city website [cityofwoodburn.org](http://cityofwoodburn.org).

#### COUNCILMAN VOIROL:

Agreed with Councilman Rice.

Councilman Rice made a motion to adjourn. Councilman Gerig 2nd, all approved, motion carried at 8:15 p.m. Minutes prepared by Clerk-Treasurer Holly Sarrazine.

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### WBESC GOVERNING BOARD MEETING MINUTES 1/15/14

The Western Buckeye ESC Governing Board held its regular monthly Board meeting at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 16, 2014 at the Van Wert ESC office. Board President Mr. Nick Miller welcomed Board members and school personnel to the meeting. During the organizational portion of the meeting Ron Treece was voted in as Board President and Jerry Zielke as Vice President.

Treasurer Kim Jones and Assistant Treasurer Linda Clark reviewed the current financial reports, investments and the monthly expenditures with the Board.

Superintendent Brian Gerber updated the Board on Legislative Issues, Personnel items, and ESC activities. He acknowledged January as "School Board Recognition Month." "This is an opportunity for us to take a moment and thank our school board members for the time and effort they put forward for the betterment of our schools. The Board at Western Buckeye Educational Service Center functions within the team concept. They know their role as policy setters and enforce it. They work within the community, staff, and administration to make Western Buckeye ESC a productive and effective agency. It takes teamwork and collaboration from all parties to ensure an educational agency's success. We appreciate the commitment of Board members Jerry Zielke, Billy Poe III, P. James Grubaugh, Nick Miller, and Ron Treece.

Western Buckeye ESC will partner with The Journal Gazette to conduct the 60th annual Journal Gazette Spelling Bee. This event offers local students the opportunity to participate in the Scripps National Spelling Bee held in Washington D.C. Confidence, strong study skills, increased vocabulary and improved spelling are just a few of the benefits students reap from spelling bee participation. The Paulding County Spelling Bee will be held on Monday, January 27, 2014 at Paulding Middle School beginning at 7:00 p.m. The Van Wert County Spelling Bee will be held on Monday, February 3, 2014 in the Marsh Auditorium beginning at 7:00 p.m. For further information please contact Spelling Bee Coordinator, Sandi Freeman at 419-399-4711 or email at [sfreeman@wb.noacsc.org](mailto:sfreeman@wb.noacsc.org)

#### Consent Items - WBESC:

A. Motion to employ Brittany Cunningham as a Paraprofessional at the Allen County ESC, effective 1/6/2014, 0 years experience, salary and benefits as presented.

B. Motion to approve six (6) weeks of maternity leave for Ashley Shepherd.

The Board meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m. with no additional Board action. The next regular Governing Board meeting of the Western Buckeye Educational Service Center will be on Wednesday, February 12 starting at 6:00 p.m. at the Paulding ESC office.

### STATEMENT FROM OHIO SECRETARY OF STATE JON HUSTED

The Presidential Commission on Elections Administration, established by President Obama's Executive Order 13639, released its bipartisan recommendations on how to improve the voting experience across the nation. In regards to the recommendations, all of the following may be attributed to Ohio Secretary of State Jon Husted:

"This commission of Republicans and Democrats recommended for the nation what we already do in Ohio.

"Ohioans should be proud of the fact that our elections system already meets and exceeds recommendations in the report.

"Ohio is above the national average for absentee and early voting opportunities, we've been deemed an 'All-Star' state for making it easier for members of the military to vote, and today

the voter rolls are in the best shape they've ever been.

"The only major recommendation where Ohio has fallen behind is the failure to enact online voter registration. Once again, I urge the General Assembly to pass the authorizing legislation so we can get online voter registration up and running as soon as possible.

"If we want to continue to be a leader in running smooth elections in the 21st Century, we need full online voter registration. The bipartisan recommendations of the Commission vouch for this as a common sense way to improve accuracy, reduce lines and most importantly, better serve voters as we continue our work to make it easy to vote and hard to cheat."

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**NOTICE**

In pursuance of law (R.C. Section 323.08) I, **Lou Ann Wannemacher, Treasurer of Paulding County, Ohio hereby give notice the 2013 Rate of Taxation forms are on file at the Treasurer's Office in the Court House. If you need a copy mailed or faxed to you please call 419-399-8280, Monday thru Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.**

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**"FROM THE VANTAGE POINT": SKILLS FOR TOMORROW**



Juniors Bryce Eustler (Wayne Trace) and Dakota Valdez (Paulding) listen carefully as Vantage Industrial Mechanics instructor Kevin Van Oss explains a welding technique during lab.

At Vantage Career Center, there are nine different Trade and Industrial programs offered to high school students in the Industrial and Engineering Systems cluster. Here is a brief look at those programs.

In the Ag and Industrial Power Technology program, students learn the techniques for the maintenance and operation of industrial, diesel and agricultural equipment and machinery. They troubleshoot, overhaul and assemble gas and diesel engines, and work on mechanical and electrical fuel injection systems.

Auto Body students assess and estimate the damage to vehicles and learn the

basics of collision repair and refinishing, as well as auto body and shop management skills. Performing repairs to plastic and fiberglass components are unique skills of this trade.

The Auto Technology program provides hands-on experience in the areas of hydraulic brake systems, automotive engines and suspension systems. Students use sophisticated diagnostic and repair equipment to troubleshoot automotive systems and learn the skills required to inspect, repair and adjust today's highly computerized vehicles.

In the Precision Machining Technology program, students invent, design, and

manufacture components as they learn to operate lathes, grinders, mills and computer numerical controlled (CNC) machine. Blueprint reading, computer aided drafting (CAD) and manufacturing processes are emphasized throughout the program.

The Vantage Welding program is a nationally recognized AWS (American Welding Society) training and testing facility. Students have the opportunity to earn industry certifications in plate and pipe welding. This program has earned the National Exemplary designation in career technical education.

Industrial Mechanics students learn how to perform preventive and corrective maintenance and the set up and adjustment of plant machinery. Students diagnose and repair heating, ventilation and cooling systems while learning the basics of welding, electricity, machining, metal fabrication, and hydraulics.

The Electricity program provides entry-level training ranging from residential wiring to industrial electrical applications. Students learn how to install, maintain and troubleshoot a variety of electrical systems, including the installation of coaxial or fiber optic cable for computers and other telecommunications equipment. Seniors also use their residential wiring skills to wire the Vantage Carpentry House project each year.

In the Building and Grounds Maintenance program, students are introduced to a wide variety of skills necessary to keep buildings and their surrounding areas in good condition. Students learn building maintenance skills (including recycling), landscaping, painting and light carpentry skills. This year, they are using their skills on a variety of projects in the Vantage district.

Build a house while still in high school? That's just what Vantage Carpentry students do. Carpentry students learn the skills required for residential construction, including blueprint-reading, computerized house design, framing, roofing, drywall, cabinetry, stairs and outside finish work. These students also follow precise specifications and use software and a Techno CNC router to build custom cabinets for the house project.

If you're interested in finding out about career opportunities in any of these fields or have questions about the trade and industrial programs at Vantage, please call Mike Knott, Student Services Supervisor at 419-238-5411 ext. 2032 or email him at knott.m@vantagecareercenter.com.

It's almost time for the annual Vantage Open House and BBQ Sandwich Dinner! Mark it on your calendars for Monday, February 10, 2014 from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. If you haven't seen the new school yet, this is your chance! Tour the building, see the labs, check out the new equipment, talk to the staff and students. Do you have a sophomore who's interested in attending Vantage? There will be a Parent Information Session in the Community Room at 6:00 p.m. to help answer ques-

tions you may have. Interested in going back to school yourself? Adult Education representatives will also be there to answer questions about Vantage Adult Ed classes. No time to cook? Help support school-wide student activities by eating dinner at Vantage. Dinner includes sandwich, chips, cookies and bottled water. It's gonna be a great night! You won't want to miss it!

**THIRTY-THREE NSCC STUDENTS INDUCTED INTO PHI THETA KAPPA HONOR SOCIETY**

Northwest State Community College recently recognized thirty-three students during the induction ceremony for the Phi Theta Kappa International Honor Society. To be eligible for induction, students must have a minimum 3.5 grade point average after completing at least eighteen credit hours of college coursework.

Phi Theta Kappa was established in 1918 to encourage academic achievement for two-year college students. Its mission is to provide opportunities for individual growth and development through honors, leadership and service programming. Phi Theta Kappa is the largest honor society in American higher education with more than 2.5 million members.

The following students in our readership area (and surrounding) were inducted into Phi Theta Kappa:

Defiance County - Taylor Shaffer (Antwerp), Jacob Thiel (Antwerp), Logan Colbart (Defiance), Melissa Durham (Defiance), Zachary Shook (Defiance) and Tessa Smith (Defiance)

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